



# APPLICATION FOR BACKYARD HEN PERMIT



## City of Jacksonville, Florida Planning and Development Department

- Please complete and submit this application form by mail or in-person to the Current Planning Division, located at the Ed Ball Building, 214 North Hogan Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, Jacksonville, Florida 32202.
- Include a \$25.00 check payable to the TAX COLLECTOR.
- **Include a copy of your backyard poultry seminar certificate** with the completed application form.

Please call the Planning and Development Department at (904) 255-7865 if you have any questions.

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

### APPLICANT INFORMATION

Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Property Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Real Estate Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Zoning District: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address (if different): \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Land Area (Acres): \_\_\_\_\_ Number of hens sought: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Required Agriculture Extension Office Seminar: \_\_\_\_\_

ABOVE PLEASE PROVIDE A SKETCH OF PROPERTY LAYOUT, WITH CHICKEN COOP AND ENCLOSURE

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## DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

### I HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

1. Chickens shall be kept in a coop or enclosure at all times.
2. The coop shall be screened from view from the neighboring property by an opaque fence or visual barrier.
3. Coops shall be located in the back yard except in the case of through lots.
4. Chickens and coops are not permitted in front or side yards except as provided in the Zoning Code.
5. Coops greater than 100 square feet in size require a building permit.
6. Coops shall be covered, ventilated, and secured from predators.
7. Coops shall provide a minimum of 3 square feet per chicken and be large enough to provide free movement.
8. The maximum height of a coop is 6 feet.
9. All stored feed shall be kept in a rodent and predator proof container.
10. Chickens are prohibited on duplex, triplex, or other multi-family properties.
11. Chickens are prohibited in mobile home/manufactured home parks, RV parks, or rental communities.
12. Male chickens (roosters) are prohibited.
13. Chickens shall be kept for personal use only. Breeding or selling chickens for commercial purposes is prohibited.
14. The selling of chickens, eggs, or manure from the property is prohibited.
15. Chickens shall not be allowed to trespass on neighboring properties.
16. Coops and enclosures shall be maintained in a clean and sanitary condition at all times.
17. A dog or cat that kills a chicken shall not, for that reason alone, be considered a dangerous or aggressive animal.
18. Unwanted chickens shall not be released or taken to Animal Care and Protective Services.
19. Unwanted chickens shall be taken to preapproved locations as determined by Animal Care and Protective Services.
20. Coops and enclosures shall meet the zoning setback requirements for accessory structures (5-foot rear and side yard set-backs).
21. The permit holder consents to inspection of their property upon complaint related to backyard hens. The Municipal Code Compliance Division shall be allowed to enter onto the property during a scheduled visit to ensure compliance with the applicable regulations, performance standards, and development criteria.

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**CERTIFICATION:** I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE. I HEREBY UNDERSTAND THAT THE ISSUANCE OF A PERMIT FOR BACKYARD HENS DOES NOT SUPERSEDE PRIVATE DEED RESTRICTIONS AND/OR HOMEOWNER ASSOCIATION COVENANTS. FURTHERMORE, I HEREBY GRANT PERMISSION TO THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE TO ENTER THE PROPERTY LISTED ABOVE FOR THE PURPOSE OF INSPECTING FOR COMPLIANCE DURING A SCHEDULED VISIT.

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**PRINT NAME**

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**SIGNATURE**

**PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT USE ONLY**

**PERMIT #** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **APPROVE/DENY:** \_\_\_\_\_

**REVIEWED BY:** \_\_\_\_\_

**COMMENTS** \_\_\_\_\_

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