

Village of Ontonagon

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Chicken Permit Application and Checklist

Property Number	
Property Address	
Property Owner	
Property Owner Address	
Property Owner Phone	
Property Owner E-mail	
Zone (consult the Village Zoning map online at www.villageofontonagon.org)	

All chicken permit applications **must include** the following:

- 1) A completed and approved Accessory Structure Application (available at www.villageofontonagon.org or at the Village office).
- 2) Payment for the application fee.

**PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS CAREFULLY AND INITIAL EACH TO SHOW
YOU HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE ORDINANCE**

I have read Village of Ontonagon Ordinance 2025-01, Section 4-30 and understand the requirements for keeping chickens.

I understand that I must first receive approval from the Village of Ontonagon prior to obtaining chickens.

I will follow all Village of Ontonagon ordinances and State laws relating to the care of animals.

I am aware that I am responsible for keeping chickens within the confines of my property at all times.

I am aware that I may not make any dimensional changes (affecting required property setoffs or boundaries or minimum required space) to my chicken coop without first obtaining approval from the Village of Ontonagon.

I am aware that a maximum of six (6) female chickens shall be allowed under permit. I am further aware that I am prohibited from keeping a rooster under this permit.

I am aware that the minimum lot size to keep chickens is a quarter of an acre (0.25 acres) and that chicken coops must be located on primary dwelling lot.

I am aware that all enclosures shall be no closer than ten (10) feet to any lot line and twenty-five (25) feet from any dwelling on an adjacent lot.

I am aware that coops shall be considered accessory buildings and are subject to the accessory building requirements of the zone in which the property is located, if applicable. Must comply with Village zoning, if applicable.

I grant the right for Village staff to inspect my property at any time to ensure compliance and to investigate complaints related to the keeping of chickens.

I acknowledge that I live in a single-family dwelling as per zoning code and if I rent, I have approval from my landlord (attached written approval).

I understand that the permit is not transferrable from one individual or location to another.

I understand the private restrictions on the use of the property shall remain enforceable and shall supersede the permit. I affirm that there are no private restrictions including, but not limited to, deed restrictions, condominium restrictions, neighborhood association bylaws, covenants, and restrictions and rental agreements. A permit issued to a person whose property is subject to private restrictions that prohibit keeping of chickens is void.

I acknowledge that I am aware that the ordinance allowing chickens may be amended or repealed and that the owner acquires no vested rights to have or raise chickens by virtue of the issuance of the permit.

I understand that the keeping and handling of chickens may cause health hazards and that adequate health precautions are the responsibility of the applicant.

NUMBER OF FEMALE CHICKENS (cannot exceed 6): ____

I, hereby certify that the above information is true and correct. I understand and agree to abide by the terms and conditions of female chicken ownership within Village of Ontonagon according to Ordinance 2025-01, Section 4-30. I understand that the application / permit fee is nonrefundable. I understand that failure to comply with regulations may result in revocation of the permit and/or subject to criminal penalties prescribed by law. I have also read and initialed the terms of the application.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

DATE

This document is not valid until signed by both parties.

For Office Use Only:

Application review date:

Fee received:

Site plan review date:

Fee received:

Ownership Verified (initial):

Bond received:

Approval date:

Approved by:

Print name: