



# City of Sonoma

## Application for Permit to Keep Animals

SMC 8.08

**Application (to be completed by applicant):**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Mailing address \_\_\_\_\_

Location of animal(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Zoning District \_\_\_\_\_ Lot Size \_\_\_\_\_ Property Owner? Yes No

Property owner information \_\_\_\_\_

Number/type of animal(s) requested \_\_\_\_\_

Setback from property line \_\_\_\_\_ Setback from nearest dwelling \_\_\_\_\_

Additional requirements; *See Sonoma Municipal Code 8.08 for full requirements*

1. For lots up to 10,000 sq ft: Poultry flock size is limited to 16. Rabbits are limited to 8.
2. For lots more than 10,000 sq ft: An additional 16 poultry and 8 rabbits shall be allowed for each additional 10,000 sq ft of lot area up to a maximum of 50.
3. Roosters, bees, swine, dairies, animal farms, stockyards, and apiaries are prohibited.
4. Poultry must be maintained in a henhouse and pen. The henhouse shall be roofed and shall provide for a min of 4 sq ft per hen. The pen shall be fully enclosed, including a roof covering to securely contain the flock. The henhouse and pen shall be maintained in a clean and sanitary condition.
5. Rabbits, if kept outdoors, must be maintained in pen. The pen shall be roofed and shall provide for a min of 4 sq ft per animal.
6. All animals shall be cared for in a humane manner, which includes regular feeding/watering, regular cleaning of waste, protection from the elements and predators, and the treatment of disease.
7. All enclosures, feed and other items shall be constructed and maintained to prevent rodents.
8. The permit may be revoked should it appear the keeping of the animals is or may become detrimental to the public health, safety and/or general welfare (SMC 8.08.30).
9. Any permitted premise shall be subject to inspection upon 24-hour notice by the police department for compliance with permit requirements (SMC 8.08.040).

Applicant signature	Date	Property owner signature	Date
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**Inspection: (to be completed by Animal Control Officer)**

Zoning District     Lot Size     Setbacks     Henhouse/Pen     Fee collected

Notes \_\_\_\_\_

Approved Poultry \_\_\_\_\_ Rabbits \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_ Comment \_\_\_\_\_

Denied Reason \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Police Chief

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date