#### **Chicken Cleanliness:**

 Every person owning chickens shall maintain the place where they are kept in a clean and sanitary condition and free of bodily waste odor.



### Vacaville Municipal Codes Regarding Chickens:

- 6.04.210 (Cleanliness)
- 14.09.138.020 (Home Chicken Keeping)
- To read the Municipal Codes, please go to the City of Vacaville website.



#### **Contact Information**

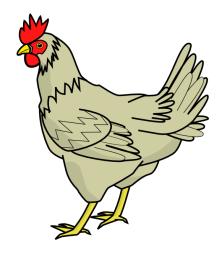
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If you have any questions about home chicken keeping in Vacaville please contact us.

# Vacaville Home Chicken Keeping



Information from Vacaville Code Enforcement

## Keeping Chickens in Vacaville City Limits

Before you think about keeping chickens at your Vacaville home there are some rules that need to be considered.

#### Location:

- Home chicken keeping is permitted as an accessory use to a single family dwelling.
- Must have a minimum lot size of 6,000 square feet.

#### **Number of Chickens:**

- Up to one adult chicken per 1,000 square feet of lot area may be kept.
- Up to a maximum of nine chickens.

Sq. Ft. of Lot	# of Chickens
<6,000 sq ft	0 chickens
6,000-6,999 sq ft	Up to 6 chickens
7,000-7,999 sq ft	Up to 7 chickens
8,000-8,999 sq ft	Up to 8 chickens
>9,000 sq ft	Up to 9 chickens

- The nine-bird maximum does not apply to lots one acre or larger
- Home chicken keeping shall be for noncommercial use only

### Setbacks and Height of Structure:

- Accessory structures shall be a minimum of eight feet from the main structure.
- No structure shall be closer than three feet to the property line.
- The maximum height of any such structure shall be six feet plus one foot for every foot setback from the property line, up to a maximum of 12 feet.



#### **Roosters:**

- Keeping of roosters is permitted only in the AG, AH, RR, and RE districts on lots one acre or larger where the structure housing the rooster is no closer than 50 feet to a dwelling.
- To find out what zoning district your house is located in go to the zoning map on the City of Vacaville website.

#### **Other Small Animals:**

 The keeping of other small animals other than chickens for noncommercial purposes is allowed. Visit 14.09.138.030 in the Vacaville Municipal Code for more information.