

Section: Domestic Poultry (Backyard Chickens)

Purpose and Intent

The Association recognizes that responsibly maintained backyard hens can provide benefits to residents, including:

- Access to fresh eggs for household use
- Contribution to household composting systems through manure and bedding materials
- Natural insect control
- Educational and agricultural experiences consistent with rural living

1. Permitted Poultry

The keeping of domestic hens (female chickens) and limited to only 1 rooster for personal, non-commercial use shall be permitted on individual residential lots.

2. Number of Chickens

No more than 10 hens including 1 rooster may be kept per acre, unless otherwise approved in writing by the Architectural Review Committee or Association Board.

3. Containment Requirement

All chickens must be securely confined within a coop, enclosure, or fenced run and **shall not be permitted to roam freely** onto neighboring lots, streets, common areas, or rights-of-way.

4. Coop Placement & Maintenance

- Coops and runs must be located in the **rear yard only**.
- Structures must meet all setback requirements applicable to accessory buildings.
- Enclosures shall be maintained in a **clean, sanitary, and odor-free condition** so as not to create a nuisance.

5. Nuisance Prohibition

The keeping of chickens shall not create:

- Excessive noise
- Offensive odors
- Attraction of predators or vermin
- Any condition deemed a nuisance by the Association

Failure to remedy a nuisance after written notice constitutes a violation of the CC&Rs.

6. Commercial Use Prohibited

Raising chickens for commercial production, boarding, or regular on-site sales is prohibited unless expressly allowed elsewhere in these CC&Rs.