



**City Of West Haven
Planning & Development
Keeping of Hens Application**



PLEASE PROVIDE ALL REQUESTED INFORMATION AND SUBMIT BY MAIL OR IN PERSON TO:

West Haven Planning and Development Department

355 Main St. WEST HAVEN, CT. 06516

WITH A \$25 CHECK PAYABLE TO: CITY OF WEST HAVEN.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE PHONE 203-937-3580

Date: _____

Applicant Information

Name: _____ Telephone # _____

Property Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zoning District: _____

Mailing Address (if different) : _____

Disclosure Statement

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

1. No more than four (4) hens may be kept on any property no less than .25 acres and located in the following residence zoning districts as a non-commercial accessory use:
R-1 (Single Family Detached Residence)
R-2 (Single Family Detached Residence)
2. The hens shall be confined to a fenced enclosure of no more than 200 square feet in area, located in a rear yard. The fenced enclosure shall be at least twenty five (25) feet from any street line, at least ten (10) feet from any residential dwelling and at least ten (10) feet from any property line.
3. Any portion of the enclosure located closer than ten (10) feet to a property boundary or directly visible from a street line at any distance shall be screened by either a fence or a landscaped buffer of at least four feet in height.

4. A proper building shall be required for the hens. Any building used for this purpose shall be located at least ten (10) feet from any lot line. All such buildings shall be constructed so as to prevent pests or predators access to it and the design must be approved by West Haven Animal Control before Construction/Installation. All food products for the hens are to be kept in a watertight and pest proof container or structure. Animal waste is to be mixed in with yard clippings then bagged for pick up or added to compost container/pile kept on property so as to prevent offensive odors and the presence of pests and predators.
5. No hens may be kept inside any structure used for residential purposes.
6. No rooster shall be kept on any property.
7. The hens shall be prevented from straying onto any street, roadway, or adjoining private property.
8. The keeping of hens shall be conducted in a manner consistent with and in compliance with the Health Code of the City of West Haven.
9. A permit must be applied for with the West Haven Planning and Development Department. An inspection of the location and structure intended to house the hens must be conducted by West Haven Animal Control before any application can be approved. Animal Control will also have the right to inspect that the proper housing and health standards are being followed by any permittee. The permit will have to be renewed annually with the West Haven Planning and Development Department. Any failure to adhere to the guidelines may result in fines and/or revocation of the issued permit.
10. All hens must be of good health. Animal Control will then supply bands to place an identifying band on the leg of each hen.

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 KEEPING OF HENS DOES NOT SUPERCEDE STATE STATUTES OR HEALTH CODES. FURTHER, I HEREBY GRANT PERMISSION FOR THE CITY OF WEST HAVEN TO ENTER THE PROPERTY LISTED ABOVE FOR THE PURPOSE OF INSPECTING FOR COMPLIANCE.

PRINT NAME **SIGNATURE** **Date**

CITY OF WEST HAVEN USE ONLY

Initial Plan Inspection by W.H.A.C. Date: _____ Officer: _____

Approve/Deny Comments: _____

Installed Coop Inspection by W.H.A.C. Date: _____ Officer: _____

Approve/Deny Comments: _____

Application Reviewed By Planning and Development:

Date: _____ Approve/Deny Comments: _____

Permit # Assigned _____ Date Issued: _____

Band/Tag

#1 _____ #2 _____ #3 _____ #4 _____

ACO that supplied bands: _____