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Code Enforcement Officer



167 N. Main St.  
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**NOTICE TO ALL VILLAGE OF LIBERTY PROPERTY OWNERS &  
TENANTS WITH A CHICKEN PERMIT**

Please be advised that all chicken license permits will now be effective from 1/1/25 through 12/31/25 regardless of the date that the permit was issued.

You will be required to get a new permit every year beginning on the 1<sup>st</sup> of every year. **ALL CHICKEN PERMITS WILL EXPIRE AT THE END OF EVERY YEAR REGARDLESS OF THE DATE THAT THE PERMIT WAS ISSUED AND YOU WILL BE REQUIRED TO OBTAIN A NEW PERMIT ON THE 1<sup>ST</sup> OF EVERY YEAR.**

I have attached the chicken permit application. Please fill it out and return it to the Village of Liberty, 167 N. Main St., Liberty, NY 12754. Please make your checks out to the **VILLAGE OF LIBERTY.**

Please contact me at 845-292-2250 ext. 115 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Denise Corbett".

**Denise Corbett  
Building Department Clerk**



**Marisol Torrens**  
NYS Certified Code Enforcement  
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Village of Liberty



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CHICKEN PERMIT APPLICATION

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ S-B-L: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

DO YOU OWN OR RENT YOUR HOUSE?      I OWN IT                              I RENT IT

NOTE: IF YOU RENT, YOU MUST PROVIDE A SIGNED, NOTARIZED STATEMENT FROM YOUR LANDLORD ALLOWING YOU TO HAVE CHICKENS.

YOU MUST SUBMIT A COMPLETE MAP OF THE PROPERTY INDICATING THE LOCATION, SIZES AND DISTANCES OF ALL BUILDINGS, FENCING, ETC. NO PERMIT WILL BE ISSUED WITHOUT THIS INFO.

DRAW THIS MAP ONTO THE BACK OF THIS APPLICATION.

I UNDERTAND THAT:

- I CANNOT EXCEED THE ALLOWED NUMBER OF 6 CHICKENS.
- I CANNOT HAVE ROOSTERS, DUCKS OR ANY OTHER FOWL.
- I MUST KEEP THE COOP IN THE BACK YARD, OUT OF SIGHT FROM THE ROAD.
- THE COOP MUST BE 10' FROM PROPERTY LINES AND 50' FROM THE NEIGHBORS WINDOWS.
- I MUST KEEP THE CHICKENS COMPLETELY FENCED IN.
- I MUST KEEP THE FEED IN A SEALED METAL CONTAINER.
- I MUST NOT STOCKPILE THE CHICKEN MANURE AND MUST DISPOSE OF IT PROPERLY.
- I HAVE BEEN GIVE A COPY OF THE LOCAL LAW AND UNDERSTAND THAT IF I VIOLATE THE REQUIREMENTS, A TICKET WILL BE ISSUED AND A SUBSTANTIAL FINE WILL BE IMPOSED.

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE

SWORN TO BEFORE ME THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
NOTARY SIGNATURE AND STAMP/SEAL

Chapter 87. Zoning Article V. Supplementary Regulations Applicable to Particular Uses  
§ 87-34

Animals.

[Amended 10-26-2015 by L.L. No. 2-2015; 6-2-2022 by L.L. No. 2-2022]

A.

Village of Liberty residents will be permitted to keep chicken hens in property located within the Village of Liberty, only under the following circumstances:

(1)

Properties up to and including 1/2 an acre in size will be permitted to keep no more than six chicken hens. For each additional full half acre after the first, the property will be permitted to keep no more than six additional chicken hens.

(2)

Chicken hen coops are to be kept in the rear or backyard of the property. Neither the chickens, nor the coops should be visible from any road. Chicken coops will comply with the setbacks and limitations stated in Subsection B of this section.

(3)

No roosters shall be allowed on Village of Liberty properties.

(4)

Chicken hens must not be kept in a manner that is injurious or unhealthful to any animals or people upon the property. Chicken waste will be disposed of promptly and in a safe and hygienic manner. There will be no outdoor slaughtering of chicken hens. No person shall sell eggs or chicken meat, or engage in chicken breeding or fertilizer production for commercial processes.

(5)

Persons wishing to keep chicken hens within the Village of Liberty must obtain a license from the Village as set forth in Subsection C of this section.

(6)

An annual licensing fee shall be paid on or before September 1, pursuant to Subsection C(5) of this section.

B.

Chicken coop setbacks and limitations.

(1)

The coops or cages housing must be situated over 25 feet from the property line of a property that contains any occupied structure and no less than 50 feet from any adjacent windows or doors. The coops or cages housing chicken hens may not be located in front of side street yard areas.

(2)

The chicken hens shall be kept in both a coop and a fenced outdoor enclosure at all times. The coop shall be a covered, predator-resistant, well-ventilated structure, providing no less than two square feet per chicken hen. The outdoor enclosure shall be adequately fenced to contain the chicken hens and protect them from predators.

(3)

The coop and the outdoor enclosure shall be cleaned on a regular basis to prevent the accumulation of animal waste. The coop and the outdoor enclosure shall be kept clean and sanitary at all times.

(4)

The chicken feed or other food used to feed the chicken hens shall be stored indoors or in a vermin-proof, fastened container, and stored within a structure.

C.

An application for license to keep chicken hens in the Village of Liberty shall include the following:

(1)

The name of the applicant, applicant's telephone number, and full property address;

(2)

The size of the subject property, and the number of chicken hens to be kept therein;

(3)

Description of coops or cages, including fencing, any barriers, or enclosures surrounding the property;

(4)

A description of the manner in which feces and other waste materials will be removed from the property;

(5)

Application fee and annual renewal fee for a license to keep chicken hens shall be set by resolution of the Village Board. On June 1 of each year, the Village Code Enforcement Officer shall consider renewal of all chicken licenses, and may revoke such licenses for any violation of Village of Liberty code. The Village Board may also revoke the license based on any complaints. If the license is renewed, applicant may continue to keep chicken hens pursuant to Village code, provided an applicant pays the annual fee prior to September 1 of that year.

D.

The keeping of other animals shall be limited to household pets such as dogs, cats, caged birds, rabbits and other similar small animals which can be kept indoors in a cage.

E.

Penalties for offenses. Any person committing an offense against any provision of this section shall be guilty of a violation punishable by fine. The amounts of such fines will be established by resolution of the Village Board, and will be kept on file with the Village Clerk.

# Owners Proxy

\_\_\_\_\_ deposes and states that he/she resides at:  
(Owner)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Location where work is being done)

And that he/she is the owner of the premises described in the attached application for a building permit application and further states that he/she has authorized \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ to make said application, secure any necessary permits and approvals, call for inspections, and request a certificate of occupancy upon satisfactory completion of the work described in said application.

Owner's signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_