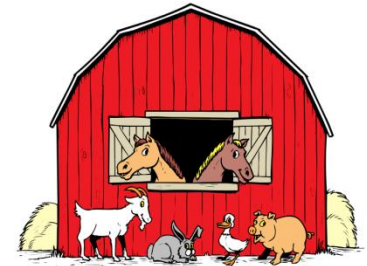


**City of Rio Dell Animals and Animal Shelter Regulations**  
**Section 17.30.050 Rio Dell Municipal Code**

**17.30.050 Animals and Animal Shelters.**

Barnyard animals may be kept as accessory to any residential use, according to the following schedule:



(1) One large domestic bovine and equine animal may be kept on any parcel of not less than one acre. One additional animal may be kept for each one-half acre of area by which such parcel exceeds one acre.

(2) Four medium-sized domestic animals, including sheep and goats, may be kept on any parcel of not less than one acre. One additional animal may be kept for each 10,000 square feet of area by which such parcel exceeds one acre.

(3) Small animals, including rabbits and poultry, may be kept on any parcel of not less than 5,000 square feet, and not more than 5 such animals may be kept on such parcel. On parcels 10,000 square feet or larger, 10 such animals are allowed. One additional animal may be kept for each 500 square feet of area by which such parcel exceeds 10,000 square feet. [Ord. 252 § 6.04, 2004.]

(4) Animal Enclosure Setback Table. In addition to conforming with all applicable yard requirements, enclosures for animals in residential zones (Urban Residential (UR), Suburban Residential (SR) and Residential Multifamily (RM)) shall have the minimum setbacks specified in the Animal Enclosure Table.

<b>Animal Enclosure Setback Table</b>			
<b>Animal Enclosure Location</b>	<b>Large Domestic Animals</b>	<b>Medium Domestic Animals</b>	<b>Small Domestic Animals</b>
Distance from Dwelling	40 feet	30 feet	25 feet
Distance from Front Lot Line	50 feet	50 feet	50 feet
Distance from Side Lot Line	20 feet	15 feet	10 feet
Distance from Rear Lot Line	20 feet	15 feet	10 feet

- Notes:
- (a) Animal enclosures includes shelters, pens, coops, runs, hutches, stables, corrals, barns used for the keeping of poultry or animals.
  - (b) No crowing rooster may be maintained in any residential zone (Urban Residential (UR), Suburban Residential (SR) and Residential Multifamily (RM)).
  - (c) The minimum distance from dwellings does not apply to the residence on the parcel, only adjacent parcels.

(5) Young Domestic Animals Substitution Schedule. The maximum animal densities permitted under subsections 17.30.050 (1) (2) and (3) may be modified by substituting young animals according to the following schedule.

<b>Young Animal Substitution Schedule</b>	
<b>Animal Type</b>	<b>Permitted Substitution</b>
Large Domestic Animals, bovine and equine	For each one (1) adult animal, three (3) young animals less than six (6) months old may be substituted.
Medium Domestic Animals, including sheep and goats	For each one (1) adult animal, three (3) young animals less than six (6) months old may be substituted.
Small Domestic Animals, including rabbits and poultry	For each one (1) adult animal, three (3) young animals less than three (3) months old may be substituted.

(6) Maintenance and Operational Standards. All animal keeping shall comply with all of the following maintenance and operational standards.

(a) Odor and Vector Control. All animal enclosures, including but not limited to shelters, pens, coops, runs, hutches, stables, corrals, barns, cages and feed areas shall be maintained free from litter, garbage and the accumulation of manure, so as to discourage the proliferation of flies, other disease vectors and offensive odors. Manure shall also not be allowed to accumulate within setback areas. Each site shall be maintained in a neat and sanitary manner.

(b) Containment. All animals shall be effectively contained on the site and shall not be allowed to run free on any parcel in a separate ownership or in a public right-of-way.

(c) Erosion and Sediment Control. In no case shall any animal keeping operation be managed and maintained so as to produce sedimentation on any public road, adjoining property, or in any drainage channel or other waterway. In the event sedimentation occurs, the keeping of animals outdoors on the site shall be deemed a nuisance and may be subject to abatement.

(d) Killing and Dressing of Large or Medium Domestic Animals. The killing or dressing of large or medium domestic animals is prohibited in residential zones (Urban Residential (UR), Suburban Residential (SR) and Residential Multifamily (RM)).

(e) Killing and Dressing of Small Domestic Animals. The killing or dressing of small domestic animals, including rabbits and poultry, shall not be visible from a public street or right-of-way.