

## Additional Requirements

- No bird breeding operations or activities are permitted under any circumstance
- All feed is to be kept in rodent-proof containers
- There shall be no outside slaughtering of birds

**NOTE:** This is a general outline and information guide- provisions of the Ordinance have priority over this outline.

**For more details or clarification please contact the Building Official at 423-269-7951**

## **Additional Helpful Links:**

The following websites contain general information on the topic of urban chickens, which may be helpful but are not part of the City of Red Bank governing Ordinance nor its Rules and Regulations. Any conflict with the governing ordinance(s) may not be relied upon by occupant.



## **City of Red Bank Public Works Services**

**Contact Us Using the Following Methods:**

**Phone:**  
**(423) 269-7927**

**City of Red Bank Website :**

[www.redbanktn.gov](http://www.redbanktn.gov)

**To Report a Problem**

**Or**

**Request Services visit our Citizen Portal on our city website**

**Operating Hours :**  
**8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.**  
**Monday - Friday**  
**(Except Holidays)**

# **City of Red Bank**

## **Chickens 101**



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3105 Dayton Blvd.  
Red Bank, TN 37415  
(423) 877-1103  
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# Keeping Chickens in Red Bank

## General Provisions

- Properties zoned R-1 & R-1 A may be eligible to keep up to four (4) hens/female chickens (subject to conditions and requirements). Properties of two (2) or more acres a maximum of eight (8) hens will be allowed. Not allowed on properties that are multi-family complexes /duplexes, or office/commercial space. Properties bordering on Stringers Branch are not eligible.

## Application Fee & Permit Required

- Annual application fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00)
- Must include site plan (location of the structure)
- To apply for a permit visit [redbanktn.gov](http://redbanktn.gov), go to citizen portal, then select Chicken Permit application
- Permit must be issued and enclosure must be inspected & approved before use occurs

## Placement of Coop

Enclosures may NOT be placed in front yards, must be placed in rear yard

- Coop location shall not be visible from the street
- Setbacks from any adjoining property lines shall be a minimum of twenty-five (25) feet
- Setbacks from streams shall be a minimum of fifty (50) feet

## Waste Disposal Method

- Chicken litter, manure, and waste must be disposed of in a manner consistent with current best practices.
- Disposal, compost, or waste bins where chicken-related waste is disposed of shall be stored at least twenty-five (25) feet from any adjoining side and rear property lines and at least fifty (50) feet from any stream.
- City of Red Bank will accept disposal of a small amount of waste in your city issued garbage receptacle with the following restrictions applied:
  - All waste must be double bagged in a durable/sturdy trash bag designed to hold household trash. Grocery carry-out bags will not be accepted**
  - Ten (10) pound limit per week, accumulating waste for monthly, or less frequent disposal may not exceed ten (10) pounds.**
  - Failure to follow these disposal restrictions will result in their chicken permit revoked in accordance with Section 4, (a)(2)(o) of the subject ordinance.**

## Construction

- Minimum cage size of two (2) square feet for the inside enclosure for each bird
- Outside runs shall be a minimum of eight (8) square feet per hen and enclosed with wire or screen on all sides of enclosure
- Windows & vents shall be covered with predator & bird-proof wire of less than one (1") inch openings
- Structure shall be uniform and shall be in harmony with the surrounding area.
- Access doors shall be shut & locked at night

## Additional Requirements

- Enclosure shall be well maintained
- Enclosures must be kept in a neat & sanitary condition at all times, and waste must be disposed of properly
- Enclosure must be cleaned regularly to prevent offensive odors
- Chickens must be kept/raised in a manner to ensure humane treatment, while also providing safe & healthy living conditions for the chickens and reducing adverse impacts on other residents in the neighborhood
- Running at large is prohibited**, must be kept in a secure enclosure at all times
- No Roosters permitted** or allowed anywhere in the city