



CHICKENS LICENSE & PERMIT APPLICATION
CITY OF WILLIAMS, 810 E STREET, WILLIAMS, CA 95987

Complete the following information and attach additional information and/or plans as needed. This information will be used by staff to review your application.

First Name	Last Name
Address	
City	Zip Code
Phone	
Email	
Each property within the City of Williams may have up to 4 chickens. Properties with more than ½ Acre may have more than 4 chickens and are covered under 6.48.010 D1 and D2. Each property must have a permit. The cost of the permit is \$25 annually. A chicken coop permit is required. The permit is a one-time fee of \$40. Mail your application and payment to the Planning Department: City of Williams P.O. Box 310 Williams, CA 95987 Make your check or money order payable to: City of Williams *The application fee is non-refundable whether your application is approved or denied.	

- Must be a single-family residence. If the applicant is not the owner of the property, written authorization from the owner must be submitted with the application.
- The maximum is four (4) chickens per residential parcel.
- Annual permits are required.
- Roosters are prohibited.
- Chickens may not be slaughtered on premises.
- Coop may not be closer than 10 feet to any fence or property line.
- Chickens must be confined and properly caged in a coop at all times.
- Chickens are prohibited from being a noise disturbance.
- The coop must be well-maintained and clean.

- Chicken enclosures shall be a minimum of 20 floor square feet (combination of nesting boxes and contained run space).
- Coops must have four walls and a roof constructed of suitable material.
- Coops may only be kept in the rear yard.
- Nesting boxes in the coop are required.
- Chickens must be provided with adequate food and water, along with adequate ventilation.
- Feed must be stored properly to prevent spoilage and access to other animals and rodents.
- Feces and feathers must be removed every 24 hours and shall be stored in an airtight container prior to disposal. Use of city issued garbage containers is acceptable.
- Chickens shall be kept for personal use only. Selling chickens, eggs, or chicken manure, or the breeding of chickens for commercial purposes is prohibited.
- Manure must be kept in a fly-tight bin and not to be located closer than 10 feet to any property line.
- You will be required to submit a site plan of your property showing where the coop will be located, with the dimensions of the coop and the distances to the property lines clearly drawn.
- The maximum height of the coop shall be six (6) feet.
- The maximum size of the coop shall be 120 square feet.
- If the coop is larger than 120 square feet a building permit must be obtained.
- Prior to permit issuance, certified receipts that notices were sent to all adjacent residentially-zoned properties shall be required.
- Upon any violation, the city may revoke the corresponding permit. The issuance of any future permit may be denied following such revocation.

A permit issued in accordance with this application shall be valid for one (1) year from the date of issuance. You must renew your permit if you intend to continue keeping chickens on your property. Each time you renew your permit, you will be required to submit an application, fee, and supplementary information. You will also be required to notify your neighbors of your intent to continue keeping chickens.

The City of Williams reserves the right to inspect the premises and the chickens without notice on an as needed basis

I, (print name) _____, have read and understand the above information regarding my rights as a subject of government data and that all information I provide as part of this application is public. I acknowledge I have been provided with information about what is required for me as an individual to obtain a permit from the City of Williams. I agree I will strictly comply with all ordinances of the City of Williams relating to the permit for which I have applied and understand I can review all current City ordinances on the city website or in the City Clerk's Office. I further understand that the giving of false information as part of this application, regardless of when it is discovered, or failure to meet the requirements set forth in any city ordinance, state or federal law, including all requirements relating to coops, can constitute cause for denial, suspension, or revocation of my permit.

Applicant Signature _____ Date _____