



DOMESTICATED HEN PERMIT APPLICATION
(PERMIT # _____ Receipt # _____)

A permit is required to own and keep domesticated hens in certain areas of Davidson County. Please read Section 8.12.020 of the Metropolitan Code. If you have questions about whether you can maintain domesticated hens on your property, contact Environmental Health Services at (615) 340-5653. Permits are annual and expire on December 31st each calendar year. They are not transferable to another property or to another person. The annual fee is \$25.

Name of Permit Holder: _____

Applicant address: (must be location where domesticated hens will reside):

Phones: H _____ C _____ Email: _____

Do you own this property? Yes No If "No," you must have the permission of the property owner.

Do you have permission of the property owner? Yes No

Property Owner contact information for verification (include name, address, phone number and e-mail):

Phones: H _____ C _____ Email: _____

(To be entered by MPH staff) Council District* _____ Maximum No. of hens allowed _____

TWO THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

- 1) *Many Home Owners Association (HOA) bylaws do not allow poultry of any kind, including domesticated hens. Applicants should check their HOA bylaws to confirm that domesticated hens are permissible. This permit does not override existing Home Owners Association bylaws.*
- 2) *By signing this application form you acknowledge that the law allowing permits for domesticated hens in some areas of Davidson County expires on March 1, 2014, unless the Metro Council votes to extend it. If the council does not extend the law, all permits become null and void at that time, and all chickens must be removed.*

Applicant Certification

I hereby certify that the information submitted is true and correct. In submitting this signed application, I acknowledge and agree that the permit is subject to all the terms and conditions set forth in Section 8.12.020 of the Metropolitan Code and any additional rules and regulations developed by the Metro Public Health Department in furtherance of this Section. I certify that I have read the rules and regulations and intend to abide by them. I understand that any false statements or omissions may result in denial or revocation of this permit. Failure to comply with the regulations is subject to a fine of \$50 *per day* for each violation.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

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*** Districts 12, 20, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32 and 33 are not eligible for a domesticated hen permit, unless:**
a. The hens are kept on property located within the general services district (GSD); and
b. The hens are kept on a lot within the AG or AR2a zoning districts, or on a lot of five (5) acres or more in size within the RS80, RS40, RS30, RS20 and R80, R40, R30 and R20 residential zone districts.

AFFIDAVIT OF DOMESTICATED HEN PERMIT APPLICANT

I, _____ am a citizen of Davidson County and the State of Tennessee, and having been duly sworn, do hereby affirm in good faith the following:

1. I am over the age of 18 years and have direct knowledge of the matters stated herein;
2. The property I will keep domesticated hens on is my primary residence;
3. I either am the owner of this property or have permission from the property owner to maintain domesticated hens on the premises;
4. I have been provided copies of BL2011-47 and MPHD's Domesticated Hen Permit Rules and Regulations and intend to abide by them;
5. I understand I can be charged up to \$50 *per day* for violations;
6. I understand this permit does not override the bylaws of my Home Owners Association and that it is my duty to make sure domesticated hens are allowed prior to bringing domesticated hens on my property;
7. I live in an area that allows domesticated hens;
8. I understand the annual permit cost is twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) and expires on December 31st each year;
9. I understand that my permit is not transferable to another property or to another person;
10. I understand that the Metropolitan Code sections amended by BL2011-47 expire on March 1, 2014, and unless extended by resolution of the Council of the Metropolitan Government, any permit in effect at that time will become invalid;
11. I certify that the information submitted in my application and this affidavit is true and correct and that I understand that any false statements or omissions may result in denial or revocation of my permit; and
12. I will maintain a valid permit issued by the Metro Public Health Department at all times while I have domesticated hens on my property.

FURTHER, AFFIANT SAITH NOT.

Signature of Affiant

Sworn to and subscribed before me this _____ day of _____, 2012.

NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires: _____

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