

URBAN AGRICULTURE in Fayetteville, Arkansas

HOME PRODUCE SALES, FOWL, BEES, & GOATS



BACKGROUND

The City of Fayetteville passed the Urban Agriculture Ordinance in March of 2014. This ordinance is an update and replacement of the previous “Animals & Fowl” ordinance and includes provisions for the keeping of fowl, bees, and goats, and allows for limited sales of home produced products in residential areas. Under this ordinance, fowl, bees and goats may be kept on lots that meet the requirements in the chart below.

WHAT IS ALLOWED?

	Animal type restrictions	Number of animals allowed	Property use/zoning	Where animals may be kept	Structure location & setbacks	Space requirements	Miscellaneous
Fowl	Hens & ducks only- no roosters	4 allowed on any lot; For lots larger than 5000 sf, 1 per 1250 sq ft of lot area up to a max of 20 fowl.	Single Family Residential use/ Educational use	In side or rear yard.	In side or rear yard. 25' from neighboring residence	3' coop space per animal & outside access	Must be wing clipped or a breed that cannot fly. No outside slaughtering.
Goats	Female dwarf or pygmy goats (85 lb & 22.5" tall max.)	A minimum of 2 goats are allowed on a lot of 10,000 sq ft & larger. Lots 15,000 sf & larger are allowed up to a maximum of 3 goats.	Single Family Residential use/ Educational use	In side or rear yard.	In side or rear yard. 50' from neighboring residence.	200 sf of secure fenced yard per animal	Shall have RFID microchips & be registered with the Fayetteville Animal Services Program. No onsite slaughter permitted.
Bees	No Africanized Bees	2 hives allowed on any lot. For lots larger than 5000 sq ft, 1 additional hive is permitted for each 2500 sq ft of lot area up to a maximum of 4 hives.	Single Family Residential use/ Educational use	In side or rear yard.	In side or rear yard. 20' from property line if fenced. 100' from property line if not fenced.	—	Bees must be registered through the Arkansas State Plant Board & follow all AR. apiary laws. Access to water must be provided.

SALES OF HOME PRODUCED AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

- **Home Produce Stand** (included under garage sales): No permit required. Home produced agricultural products can be sold 4 times per year, with sales not to exceed 3 consecutive days in duration.
- **Home Occupation Permit:** Planning Commission approval required. Home produced agricultural products can be sold in all residential zoning districts. Restrictions include hours, operation size and no employees other than occupants permitted.
- **Limited Business Permit:** Planning Commission approval required. Home produced agricultural products can be sold in all residential zoning districts except: R-A, RSF .5, RSF 1, RSF 2. This permit offers fewer restrictions than a Home Occupation.

QUESTIONS & RESOURCES

- Fayetteville City Planning ————— 479-575-8267 ————— For questions about what is allowed within the Urban Ag ordinance
- Fayetteville Animal Services ————— 479-444-3456 ————— For questions about animal welfare, loose animals, and RFID tags
- Arkansas State Plant Board ————— 501-225-1598 ————— For information on registering your bee hive
- Northwest Arkansas Bee Keepers Association <http://www.nwabeekeepers.com/> For bee keeping resources