

CHAPTER 17.26 - DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS—ANIMALS

17.26.010 - General requirements.

Animals and fowl kept for domestic purpose, not including commercial operations, shall be in conformance with the table set out in Section 17.26.020. (Ord. 269 (part), 2002)

17.26.015 - Animals not addressed.

Minimum standards for any type of animal or fowl not addressed or not similar to those listed in this chapter as determined by the planning director shall be established by the planning commission. (Ord. 269 (part), 2002)

17.26.020 - Table of minimum standards for animals.

Minimum standards for animals shall be as follows:

Type of Animal	Conditions
Horses, Mules, Cows, Llamas	20,000 square feet of open fenced area for a maximum of two horses or mules. Plus, 10,000 additional square feet for each additional animal. Barns used for the housing of animals and storage of hay should be accessory buildings. Fences in residential zones for animals may be wood or woven wire construction of not less than four (4) feet in height nor more than six (6) feet. A maximum of two (2) strands of either barbed wire or electric fence with proper signs is allowed, if constructed a minimum of 12 inches inside the regular fence. All animal fencing shall be located or constructed in such a manner as to prevent the animals from encroaching on the abutting premises or property in any manner to prevent the destruction of trees, shrubbery and bushes. An enclosure for animals which does not provide forage shall be constructed 25 feet from the nearest lot line.

Dogs, Cats	Not more than a combined total of four dogs or cats over six months of age on a parcel containing ½ acre or less and no more than a combined total of six on a parcel greater than one-half acre.
	All cages, pens, runs or kennels used for holding animals shall be kept a minimum of 10 feet from any property line and shall be in a clean and sanitary condition, and must be disinfected on a routine basis. All waste material must be removed daily and disposed of in a sanitary method in accordance with regulations of the city/county health department.
Sheep, Goats and Pygmy Goats	2,500 square feet of open fenced area per sheep or goat. Fencing requirements shown for horses applied here.
Swine	All animal fencing shall be located or constructed in such a manner as to prevent the animals from encroaching on the abutting premises or property in any manner. 60 square feet of open fenced area per swine, with the following exemptions:
	1. Within the following cities' UGA's: College Place, Walla Walla, Burbank, Prescott, and Waitsburg: Swine shall not be allowed on lots less than one (1) acre in area for a maximum two (2) swine. For miniature pigs: Only Vietnamese pot-bellied pigs and African pygmy pigs for a maximum of two (2) pigs may be allowed on lots less than one acre. A minimum of one thousand square feet of open area and an enclosed fenced area of at least one hundred fifty square feet is required to own, keep, or harbor a miniature pig.

	<p>2. Within a rural activity center: Swine shall not be permitted on lots less than one (1) acre in area within, for a maximum of four (4) swine. For miniature pigs: Only Vietnamese pot-bellied pigs and African pygmy pigs for a maximum of two (2) pigs may be allowed on lots less than one acre within the unincorporated county. A minimum of one thousand square feet of open area and an enclosed fenced area of at least one hundred fifty square feet is required to own, keep, or harbor a miniature pig.</p>
Fowl, Poultry, Rabbits, Chinchillas, Nutrias	<p>A maximum combined total of 50 animals are permitted per 6,000 sq. ft. of dedicated space or proportion thereof, and shall be housed in a pen or coop and further enclosed by a fence. Pens and coops shall be no closer than 45 feet from any residence and shall also observe minimum yard requirements, whichever is greater. No retail stand or building or killing or dressing of said animals for commercial purposes shall be permitted.</p>
Bees	<p>The number of colonies of bees shall be limited to one colony for each 2,000 square feet of open space-when permitted by conditional use permit.</p>
	<p>1. During the period from June 1st until September 1st of each year the following regulations will be in effect in the area described below in (2).</p>
	<p>A. Not more than one honey bee colony per acre of property cropped in commercial alfalfa for seed and/or commercial clover for seed that is blossoming is permitted.</p>
	<p>B. Not more than $\frac{1}{4}$ honey bee colony per acre of property with blossoming bee forage of other types is permitted.</p>

	C. Not more than 50 colonies are permitted in an apiary.
	D. Apiaries must be setback from property lines a distance of four feet per colony.
	E. Apiaries must be separated a distance of 400 feet and must be located within 400 feet of blossoms intended as forage.
	2. Honey bee control area (June 1st to September 1st).
	Sections 1-3, 10-15, T6N, R32, EWM; Sections 13-15, 22-27, 34-36, T7N, R32, EWM; all of T6N, R33, EWM; Sections 13-36, T7N, R33, EWM; all of T6N, R34, EWM and Section 13-36 of T7N, R34, EWM, lying within Walla Walla County, Washington.

(Ord. 269 (part), 2002; Ord. 345 § 1, 2007)

17.26.025 - Sanitation.

All animal enclosures including but not limited to pens, stalls, and corals shall be maintained in such a manner so as to prevent the enclosure from becoming a breeding place for insects or flies or from becoming unsanitary or a nuisance.

Bee hives shall be registered as per Chapter 15.60 RCW. (Ord. 269 (part), 2002)

17.26.300 - Open range area.

See Chapter 6.08. (Ord. 269 (part), 2002)