

## **618.20 MAXIMUM NUMBER OF DOGS, CATS AND CHICKENS PERMITTED.**

(a) No person shall keep more than five dogs, cats and chickens of which not more than three may be dogs, excluding puppies and/or kittens less than six months old, in any single-family dwelling, or in any separate dwelling unit in a two-family or multifamily dwelling within the City. "Dwelling" and "dwelling unit" as used in this section, include the lot or parcel of land on which the house or building containing the dwelling unit is located, and all other structures located on the lot or parcel.

(Ord. 45-10. Passed 12-7-10.)

(b) Any person who violates or fails to comply with this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the fourth degree. A separate offense shall be deemed committed each day during or on which a violation or noncompliance occurs or continues.

(Ord. 76-89. Passed 6-26-90.)

## **618.24 CHICKENS.**

(a) No person shall own, keep or harbor any chickens without meeting the requirements set forth in the following subsection:

(1) That a one-time permit be required and issued to the City of Bexley prior to acquiring chickens, and an inspection occur by the Bexley Animal Control Officer within 60 days of acquiring chickens.

(2) That the chickens shall be kept in a secure enclosure shielded from the street to which it fronts.

(3) That a chicken coop be provided, and be kept clean and in good repair.

(b) No person in subsection (a) shall sell the eggs produced by said chickens.

(c) No person in subsection (a) above shall own, keep, or harbor a rooster.

(d) No person in subsection (a) above shall fail to comply with all other sections in Chapter 618, Animals, involving the care and responsibility of animals.

(e) Whoever violates this Section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor for a first offense; whoever violates this Section for a second or subsequent offense is guilty of a misdemeanor in the fourth degree. In addition, for second or subsequent violations, the Court may order the offender to forfeit the animals.

(Ord. 44-10. Passed 12-7-10.)

## **1266.15 CHICKEN COOPS.**

A chicken coop shall be permitted as an accessory use provided it meets the requirements of Chapters 618.20 and 618.24 of the General Offenses Code and the following restrictions:

- (a) Size. The coop shall accommodate not more than five (5) chickens, and shall not exceed a maximum size of eight (8) feet by six (6) feet and a maximum height of six (6) feet.
- (b) Location and Setbacks. The coop must be located in the rear yard and shall be setback a minimum of 20 feet from all property lines.
- (c) Screening. The coop shall not be visible from the street.

(Ord. 29-16. Passed 11-15-16.)