

ARTICLE X. RECORDS

10-1-1. Required to be kept.

It shall be the duty of the animal control department to keep, or to cause to be kept, accurate and detailed records of the licensing, impoundment and disposition of all animals coming into its custody. Said records will be maintained for a minimum of four (4) years.

ARTICLE XI. LIVESTOCK

11-1-1. Keeping of hoofed livestock.

- (a) The keeping within the corporate limits of the city of Russellville, Arkansas, of cows, mules, horses, swine,

sheep, goats or other hoofed livestock shall be allowed subject to the provisions of this article and the applicable provisions of the City's Zoning Ordinance, as amended.

- (b) All pens or enclosures including veterinary clinics, where hoofed livestock are kept shall be not less than 100 feet from any residence or business establishment; provided, however, that this restriction shall not apply to a residence or business of the livestock's owner.
- (c) Pens and enclosures for hoofed livestock (except enclosures at veterinary clinics for the temporary housing of livestock) shall meet the following minimum requirements:
 - (1) Horses, cows, swine and other large hoofed livestock.
 - a. Two acres per two horses, cows, swine or other large hoofed livestock or combination thereof, minimum of two acres for first such animal; a maximum of six (6) large hoofed livestock may be kept in the City.
 - b. A minimum five-foot fence when the livestock are horses, mules, asses or donkeys; a minimum three-foot, six-inch high fence for all other livestock specified in Section 1-1-2 (Livestock). Said fence shall be of a standard design and material for the proper constraint of the type of livestock kept;
 - c. Adequate shelter from weather elements which provides the animals adequate space to stand, turn and stretch comfortably; provided, however, that cows are excluded.
 - (2) Sheep, goats and other small hoofed livestock.
 - a. One acre per two sheep, goats or other small-hoofed livestock or combination thereof, minimum of one acre for first such animal. A maximum of 8 small hoofed livestock may be kept in the City;
 - b. Adequate shelter from weather elements, which provides the animals adequate space to stand, turn and stretch comfortably; and

- c. Pen or enclosure of standard design and material for the proper constraint of the type of small-hoofed livestock kept.
- (3) a. A maximum of six (6) large hoofed livestock may be kept in the City. A maximum of eight (8) small hoofed livestock may be kept in the City.
- b. Persons currently keeping livestock in the City in numbers greater than six (6) large hoofed or eight (8) small hoofed, shall be allowed to maintain said livestock, or their numerical replacement, upon applying for and receiving a written permit from the Animal Control authority. Said application must be submitted within 90 days of passage of this ordinance. The numerical limits relating to livestock contained in this ordinance shall not apply to livestock maintained on property zoned A-1 (agricultural) in the City.
- c. There shall be no limitation on the number of livestock that may be kept in an agricultural (A-1) zone. Livestock maintained in an A-1 zone shall be enclosed in a fence or building no closer than 100 feet from the nearest residential structure, unless the keeping of livestock on said premises pre-dated the adjoining residential use.

11-1-2. Keeping of small livestock and poultry.

- (a) The keeping of small livestock and poultry such as rabbits, chickens, guineas and turkeys is permitted within the corporate limits of the city of Russellville, Arkansas, subject to provisions of this article.
- (b) Small livestock and poultry shall be confined within an area containing adequate shelter and enclosure meeting the following minimum floor space requirements:
 - (1). Rabbits. Six (6) square feet per animal over four (4) months of age;
 - (2). Turkeys. Eight (8) square feet per bird over four (4) months of age;
 - (3). Chickens and similar fowl. Four (4) square feet per bird over four (4) months of age.

- (c) All pens, houses and enclosures where small livestock or poultry are kept shall be not less than three hundred (300) feet from any residence or business establishment; provided, however, that this restriction shall not apply to a residence or business establishment of the livestock's or animals' owner.
- (d) No more than ten (10) animals or fowl of the small livestock and poultry type may be kept inside the City. This limitation does not apply to animals kept on property located in an A-1 (agricultural zone.) The permit requirement found in Section 11-1-1(c) (3)b shall also apply to small livestock and poultry.

11-1-3. Condition of pens and enclosures.

All livestock or poultry pens and enclosures shall be maintained and kept in such condition as not to become unsanitary, offensive or disagreeable to persons residing in the vicinity thereof, nor shall they be so maintained or kept to permit the breeding of flies or in any manner cause injury to the health or comfort of the public or any person working or residing in the vicinity of said pen or enclosure. Manure or refuse shall be promptly removed and disposed of after each cleaning in accordance with all applicable rules, regulations and laws. All large animals and premises shall be treated to prevent flies, horseflies, ticks, lice, etc.

11-1-4. Other provisions.

- (a) Any kennel or boarding facilities keeping livestock shall, in addition to the requirements of this article, comply with all regulations relative to "Animal Establishments" maintained by the Animal Control Department.
- (b) Livestock and poultry shall be subject to other applicable provisions of this ordinance (e.g., running at large, cruelty, nuisance, impoundment, etc.)
- (c) Commercial livestock establishments, including but not limited to, dairy farms, poultry farms, training farms, livestock boarding establishments, livestock display and sale facilities and feed lots, shall in addition to the requirements of this Article, be subject to the applicable provisions of the City of Russellville zoning ordinance as may now or hereinafter be adopted or amended.

11-1-5. Annual permit

The owner of any hooped livestock shall obtain a permit for a keeping of said livestock from the Russellville Animal Control Department. The purpose of said permit shall be to ensure compliance with this Article. Said permit shall be on a form prescribed by the Animal Control Department and shall be issued upon satisfactory demonstration of compliance with this Article. The fee for said permit shall be \$20.00, except no fee shall be charged for a permit for animals confined in an A-1 zone.

11-1-6. Exceptions.

(a) The otherwise lawful keeping of any livestock within the City of Russellville, or enclosure for livestock at a veterinary clinic, existing on or before the effective date of this Ordinance or existing on or before the effective date of any subsequent annexation, may continue; provided, however, that such keeping shall not be extended or enlarged, either upon the same or adjoining property nor shall any subsequent discontinuance of such keeping be restored except in compliance with this Article.

(b) Arkansas Tech University and the Pope County Fairgrounds.
The provisions of this ordinance shall not apply to animals kept on land owned by Arkansas Tech University, or to animals kept on the Pope County Fair grounds.

12-1-1 Severability - The provisions of this code are deemed to be severable. A finding that any provision of this code is invalid shall not effect the validity of the remaining provisions of this code.