

Animal control in the new Land Use Code

- New Land Use Code effective March 14, 2010.
- Animal livestock and poultry operations, including horses, sheep, cows, goats, or llamas, must comply with the Buncombe County Animal Control Ordinance.
- Some specific rules apply within certain zoning districts (Section 5.4 of LUC).

- Maintain enclosures (corrals, fencing, paddocks);
- Protect streams from erosion and animal waste;
- Locate compost and feed storage areas at least thirty (30) feet from property boundaries abutting residential uses and perennial streams;
- Maintain a thirty (30) foot setback from property lines of abutting residential uses for barns or stables.
- The keeping of hogs is not permitted.
- Additional regulations do not apply to cats, dogs, rabbits, or “household pets”.

- In residential and mixed-use Districts, chickens are allowed if:
 - In enclosed area
 - in the side or rear yard, and
 - structures associated meet the accessory building requirements.
- Roosters only permitted in Industrial HI-0; LI-8) and Conservation Residential (CR-1) Districts.
- In the CB, NMU-8, and UR-8 districts agricultural uses related to livestock and animal husbandry of any type, with the exemption of household pets or chickens, are prohibited.