

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-1

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 5-302 OF THE GWINNER REVISED
ORDINANCES OF 1996 RELATING TO CHICKENS

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GWINNER,
NORTH DAKOTA:

That Section 5-302 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Gwinner of 1996 is
hereby amended and re-enacted to read as follows:

5-302. DEFINITIONS.

A. The established definitions are for purposes of this section only. If any
conflict exists with other sections of this case, the more restrictive shall apply.

1. "Brood" means group of chickens, whether from the same hatching.
2. "Brooding" means the period in the animal's growth when supplemental
heat must be provided due to the bird's inability to generate enough body heat.
3. "Chicken" means a domesticated fowl more formally known and
scientifically called as gallus gallus domesticus.
4. "Coop" means a fully enclosed, non-residential structure for housing
chickens.
5. "Hen" means a female chicken.
6. "Rooster" means a male chicken.
7. "Run" means a fully enclosed and covered area attached to a coop
where the poultry can run unsupervised.

B. STANDARDS FOR KEEPING CHICKENS

1. No more than twelve (12) hens shall be permitted in any one lot.
2. Roosters shall not be permitted. As soon as a rooster is identified, it
shall be culled from the brood.
3. The chickens, coop, and run shall be located in the rear or side yard
obscured from view of any street, trail, public park, or other right-of-way.
4. Chickens outside of the coop and run shall be supervised at all times.
5. The coop dimensions shall total less than one-hundred twenty (120)
square feet.
6. Coop height as measured from the average ground elevation to the
highest point on the coop shall not exceed either (8) feet.
7. The coop and run shall be located no closer than ten (10) feet from the
property line and no closer than twenty (20) feet from an adjacent property
dwelling.
8. The coop shall be constructed in a manner which prevents rodent
infiltration.
9. The coop shall be constructed to provide a minimum of four (4) square
feet per chicken.
10. The run shall be constructed to provide a minimum of ten (10) square
feet per chicken.