

# Want to raise livestock animals in Flagstaff?

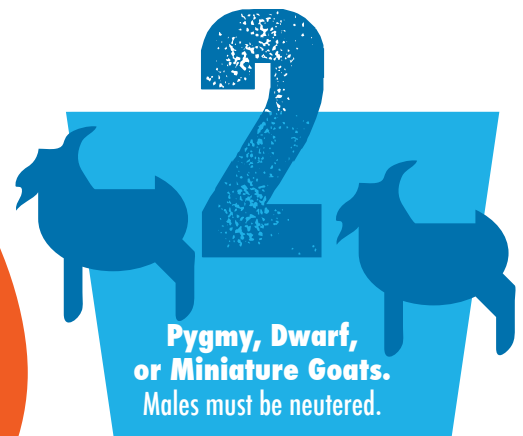
## Here's what you need to know.

**Keeping small livestock animals is a sustainable, healthy, and fun source of food. And it's legal! Find out how.**

### What animals am I allowed to have?

Small livestock animals like chickens, ducks, rabbits, miniature goats and bees are allowed on residential or educational properties throughout the city. However, you may have Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions (CC&Rs) that limit your ability to keep livestock. You can obtain a copy of the CC&Rs from your active homeowners association or your landlord.

If the property is less than 20,000 square feet, you may have a total of:



### Am I required to provide fencing?

Yes, fencing is required to confine all animals on the site. This is to keep your animals safe and your neighbors happy. Animals are free to roam or graze up to your property line as long as fences keep animals on the owner's property. For information about the fencing standards for your property, check out Section 10-50.50 of the zoning code at [www.flagstaff.az.gov/zoningcode](http://www.flagstaff.az.gov/zoningcode).

### What about large livestock?

Large livestock, such as horses, cows, pigs, sheep, and llamas, are allowed on lots zoned Estate Residential or Rural Residential. For more information on large livestock keeping requirements, visit [www.flagstaff.az.gov/livestock](http://www.flagstaff.az.gov/livestock).

If the property is 20,000 square feet or greater, you can keep even more animals! Visit [www.flagstaff.az.gov/livestock](http://www.flagstaff.az.gov/livestock) for more information.

### How can I be a good neighbor?

Be proactive and inform your neighbors about your desire to keep livestock. Let neighbors know that you are aware of the regulations regarding the keeping of urban animals and that their concerns will be addressed in a timely manner. Keep your yard clean and free of accumulated animal waste. Keep animal feed in a rodent proof container.

Please contact Animal Control at 928-679-4123 for information related to these standards. Visit [www.flagstaff.az.gov/livestock](http://www.flagstaff.az.gov/livestock) for community resources.

### Next Steps

1. Visit [www.flagstaff.az.gov/zoningcode](http://www.flagstaff.az.gov/zoningcode) to determine your property's zoning.
2. Review the full livestock animal keeping code at [www.flagstaff.az.gov/livestock](http://www.flagstaff.az.gov/livestock).
3. Educate yourself on how to properly care for these animals.
4. Enjoy your new livestock animals!



## Is my yard big enough?

Not every property is big enough to house small livestock animals properly and meet the required standards. Chickens, rabbits, and ducks require a minimum of four square feet of indoor space and ten square feet of permeable outdoor space. Miniature goats require a minimum of 130 square feet of permeable outdoor space. Bee hives must be located at least 10 feet from all property lines with a 6 foot flyaway barrier that extends five feet beyond the hive in each direction. The hive must be pointed toward the center of the property with a water source provided on site.

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## What about animal enclosures?

An enclosure is required to protect your outdoor animals from the weather. Shelters must be covered, predator-resistant, properly ventilated, and designed to be easily cleaned and maintained. Structures used to provide shelter for small livestock must be located in the side or rear yard, and at least 10 feet from all property lines, including any covered animal runs.

## Do I need a permit for the enclosure?

A building permit is not required for an enclosure 200 square feet or less in area. Other permits (zoning, electrical, plumbing) may be required depending on the scope of the work. Please contact a residential plan reviewer at 928-213-2628 for any Building Code related questions.

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