

VILLAGE OF SOUTH PEKIN PERMIT TO KEEP CHICKENS

Annual Fee: \$30.00

PERMIT # _____

Number of Chickens _____
(Total not to exceed 4)

Applicant Name: _____

Permit Address: _____

- Nature of Property: Single Family Residence owned by Applicant
 Multi-Family Residential
 Single Family Rental
 Multi-Family Rental

Note: If single family rental or multi-family residential rental, landlord's written permission must be obtained prior to permit being considered.

Phone Number: _____

No person shall maintain a chicken coop and/or chicken run unless granted a permit by the Village. The permit shall be subject to all terms and conditions of Section 5-4E of the Village Code and any additional conditions deemed necessary by the Village to protect the public health, safety and welfare. The necessary permit may be obtained from the Village Hall. Included with the information required prior to issuance of the permit must be a scaled diagram that indicates the location of any chicken coop and run, and the approximate size and distance from adjoining structures and property lines. A permit for the keeping of chickens may be revoked or suspended by the Village Board for any violation of Section 5-4E following written notice. An annual fee of \$30.00 will be charged for each permit which shall expire on December 31 of each year.

I understand the above restrictions on the permit and am submitting this application in compliance with Section 5-4E of the South Pekin Village Code.

Applicant Signature

Date

Approved by Village President: _____ Date: _____

VILLAGE OF SOUTH PEKIN
ORDINANCE NO. 486

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING A SECTION OF THE VILLAGE CODE
RELATING TO THE REGULATIONS OF ANIMALS IN THE VILLAGE
BY ADDING PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO CHICKENS**

THE VILLAGE BOARD OF THE VILLAGE OF SOUTH PEKIN DOES ORDAIN:

SECTION ONE: That Section 5-4D-15A of the South Pekin Village Code be amended by deleting the whole thereof and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

A. It shall be unlawful for any person to own, use, keep or permit to be at large within the Village any of the following animals: hens, pigeons, horses, cattle, sheep, ponies, mules, goats, pigs, swine, hogs, pot-bellied pigs, ducks, geese, chicken roosters, minks, skunks, foxes or any other livestock or poultry (excepting hen chickens, which are governed by Section 5-4E hereinafter) or any wild or vicious animal dangerous to mankind.

SECTION TWO: That Section Five of the Village Code be amended by adding Section 5-4E as follows:

5-4E. Chickens.

5-4E-1. Chickens Limited. It is unlawful for any person to own, control, keep, maintain or harbor hen chickens on any residential premises in the Village unless issued a permit to do so as provided herein. In the case of rental residential property, including multi-family residential property, written permission must be given by the property owner for a tenant to keep or harbor chickens on said residential premises. No permit shall be issued for the keeping or harboring of more than four (4) hen chickens on any premises unless the property is located in an agricultural or rural zoning district. The keeping of roosters is prohibited.

5-4E-2. Definitions. The term "At Large" shall be intended to mean a chicken out of its chicken run, off the premises or not under the custody and control of the owner. The term "Chicken" means a female chicken or hen. The term "Chicken Coop" means a structure providing housing for chickens made of wood or other similar materials that provides shelter from the elements. The term "Chicken Run" means a fenced outside yard for the keeping and exercising of chickens. The term "Owner" shall mean the resident, property owner, custodian or keeper of any chicken. The term "Premises" means any platter lot or group of contiguous lots, parcels or tracts of land.

5-4E-3. Permit. No person shall maintain a chicken coop and/or chicken run unless granted a permit by the Village. The permit shall be subject to all terms and conditions of this Section and any additional conditions deemed necessary by the Village to protect the public health, safety and welfare. The necessary permit may be obtained from the Village's office. Included with the information required prior to issuance of the permit must be a scaled diagram

that indicates the location of any chicken coop and run, and lines. A permit for the keeping of chickens may be revoked or suspended by the Village Board for any violation of this Section following written notice and a public hearing. An annual fee of \$30.00 will be charged for each permit which shall expire on December 31, of each year.

5-4E-4. Confinement. Every person who owns, controls, keeps, maintains or harbors hen chickens must keep them confined on the premises at all times in a chicken coop or chicken run while in the Village. Any coop and run shall be screened with a solid fence or landscaped buffer with minimum height of four (4) feet. Any coop and run shall be at least 25 feet from any residential structure or any other premises on any adjacent lots.

5-4E-5. Chicken Coops and Chicken Runs.

- A. All chicken coops and runs must be located within the rear yard subject to the required setbacks for the principal building and at least 25 feet from any dwelling or any other premises on any adjacent lots. The poultry must be provided with a covered, predator-resistant poultry house that is properly vented, designed to be easily accessed, cleaned and maintained, and must consist of at least four (4) square feet per chicken in size, must not exceed 10 square feet per chicken in size and must not exceed 6 feet in total height. Attached fenced-in chicken runs must not exceed 20 square feet per chicken and fencing must not exceed six feet in total height. Chicken runs may be enclosed with wood and/or woven wire materials, and must allow chickens to contact the ground. Chicken feed must be kept in metal, predator proof containers. Chicken manure shall not be placed in yard compost piles.
- B. Chicken coops must either be:
 - 1) Elevated with a clear open space of at least 24 inches between the ground surface and framing/floor of the coop; or
 - 2) The coop floor, foundation and footings must be constructed using rodent resistant construction.
- C. Chicken coops are not allowed to be located in any part of a home and/or garage.
- D. Chickens must be secured in a chicken coop from sunset to sunrise each day.

5-4E-6. Conditions and Inspection. No person who owns, controls, keeps, maintains or harbors hen chickens shall permit the premises where the hen chickens are kept to be or remain in an unhealthy, unsanitary or noxious condition or to permit the premises to be in such condition that noxious odors are carried to adjacent public or private property. Any chicken coop and chicken run authorized by permit under this Section may be inspected at any reasonable time by the Village Police, Village Health and Sanitation Officer, and/or Tazewell County Animal Control Officer or other agent of the Village. Slaughter and breeding of chickens on any premises

within the Village is prohibited.

5-4E-7. Violations. Any person who owns, controls, keeps, maintains or harbors hen chickens in the Village limits of South Pekin without obtaining or maintaining a current permit or after a permit has been suspended or revoked by Board action shall be subject to fines as set forth in Code Section 1-4-1.

SECTION THREE: That all other provisions of Section Five of the Village Code shall remain in full force.

SECTION FOUR: This Ordinance shall be in force upon its publication.

Adopted this 10th day of November, 2014.


Richard Huse
President of the Village Board

Board Votes:

Ayes: 6
Nays: 0
Abstained: 0

ATTEST: Andrea Cobb
Village Clerk