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Fee: \$75 Initial Fee \$25 Annual  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Receipt # \_\_\_\_\_

APPLICATION FOR KEEPING CHICKENS  
(Fees are non-refundable and due upon filing)  
Revised 03/26/2024

Date of Application: \_\_\_\_\_

The undersigned requests permission to keep chickens in the City of Portage.

1. Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Address of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Property Owner \_\_\_\_\_ Tenant

Phone number of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Zoning District: Available on City Website at [www.portagewi.gov](http://www.portagewi.gov) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Permit is only allowed in R1, R2, R3 and RT Zoning Districts)

4. Tax Parcel Number of site: 11-271- \_\_\_\_\_

5. Number of Chickens to be kept: (Cannot exceed 6) \_\_\_\_\_

6. Accurate description of coop. Coop may be part of unattached yard shed or garage provided setback requirements are met but may not be on top of a building. Can attach photo or drawing, if preferred.

7. Coop Size: Length \_\_\_\_\_ Width \_\_\_\_\_

8. Size of Run attached or surrounding the coop: \_\_\_\_\_

9. Distance of Coop/Run to lot lines: \_\_\_\_\_ feet to closest side lot line \_\_\_\_\_ feet to rear lot line (May not be closer than 15 feet to any lot line unless neighborhood approval is received. Coop may not be placed in the front yard.)

10. Name, address and tax parcel number of the owners of each parcel immediately contiguous to the boundaries of applicant. (No application can be approved if 50% or more of the neighboring properties object unless coop/run is 15 feet or more from all lot lines, in which case this section can be omitted.)

Name	Address	Parcel #11-271-

WHEREFORE, the undersigned applicant hereby states that the foregoing information and all the attachments to this application are true and correct.

Rules per Code 6-122:

1. Roosters shall not be kept.
2. Chickens shall be kept in the covered coop or in the fenced run at all times.
3. The outdoor slaughtering of chickens in Residential Zoning Districts is prohibited.
4. A permit can be revoked for 3 violations within 12 months.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant

**TO BE COMPLETED IF APPLICANT IS NOT THE OWNER OF THE PROPERTY:**

I am the property owner of the address listed on this application and hereby consent permission to my tenant to keep chickens on my property.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_  
Property Owner