



## Zoning Division

# Allowable Animals in Rural Residential Districts

The table below shows a list of horses and other non-commercial livestock that are allowed in residential zoning districts. Roosters are prohibited, and there is a limit on the number of animals allowed per acre. Show animals\* and juvenile animals\*\* less than eight months of age are exempt from these limits.

Size and Type of Animals	RR1/RR2/RR3 District	VR, VM, USR and USR-MF District
Large animals: horses, cattle, llamas, elk, deer, and other similar animals	One per acre	One per acre only on lots of three acres or larger
Intermediate animals: sheep, swine, goats, geese, turkeys, pea fowl, and other similar animals	Three per acre	Three per acre only on lots of three acres or larger and excluding swine
Small animals: domestic fowl***, rabbits, chinchillas, and other similar size animals	Twelve (12) per acre. For parcels less than one (1) acre in size, no more than twelve total	Twelve (12) per acre. For parcels less than one (1) acre in size, no more than twelve total

\* Juvenile animals. *The number of juvenile animals less than eight months of age is not limited provided they are offspring to the allowed adult animals.*

\*\*Show animals. *Small animals kept primarily for the purpose of display and exhibition at fairs and like events and not for commercial purposes shall not count towards the twelve (12) animal per acre limit.*

\*\*\*Domestic fowl. *Ducks, quail, pheasants, and female chickens, geese, turkeys. (excludes roosters). Pea fowl are not considered domestic fowl for the purposes of this ordinance.*

View a full list and more information regarding the Linn County Code of Ordinances at [https://library.municode.com/ia/linn\\_county/codes/code\\_of\\_ordinances](https://library.municode.com/ia/linn_county/codes/code_of_ordinances).