

Triangle Farms and Urban Homesteads City Ordinance Chart

City of Raleigh	Goats	Cows	Horses	Chickens	Notes
< 1 acre	1, unless pygmy*	1	1	No restrictions	All lots must be completely enclosed and shelters must be 200 ft or more from neighboring residences
1-5 acres	3/acre	3/acre	3/acre	No restrictions	*Pygmy defined as Capra Hircus and weighing no more than eighty-five (85) pounds and standing no higher than twenty-one (21) inches when measured at the withers.
5+ acres	10/acre	10/acre	10/acre		For more detailed information, click here
City of Garner	Goats	Cows	Horses	Chickens	Notes
< 1 acre	No	No	No	Chickens only, no roosters	
1+ acre	Agricultural zoning only, 1/acre	Agricultural zoning only, 1/acre	Agricultural zoning only, 1/acre	Agricultural zoning only, 4/acre	Livestock (except hens) and their housing must be 300' from any building. Buildings must be approved by the city and must be disinfected weekly
					More information
Town of Apex	Goats	Cows	Horses	Chickens	Notes
All lots	Prohibited	Prohibited	Prohibited	Hens only	They don't

					seem to like farming in Apex
Town of Cary	Goats	Cows	Horses	Chickens	Notes
Residential lots	Prohibited	Prohibited	Prohibited	5 hens allowed	Personal use only
R-40, R-80 Lots	Yes, follow Wake County guidelines for animals/acre	Yes, follow Wake County guidelines for animals/acre	Yes, follow Wake County guidelines for animals/acre	Yes, follow Wake County guidelines for animals/acre	Personal Use only, no roosters under 5 acres See more...
Other residential zones	No	No	No	Yes, limit 5	See additional regulations here
Town of Holly Springs	Goats	Cows	Horses	Chickens	Notes
10,000 SF Lots only hens R-40, R-80 other livestock	Only on lots zoned agricultural	Only on lots zoned agricultural	Only on lots zoned agricultural	3 hens, minimum 10k square ft lot, 12 ft from property line.	
Town of Wake Forest	Goats	Cows	Horses	Chickens	Notes
Zoning District RD, GR3	1/6000 SF, fenced, no closer than 100SF from dwellings,	1/6000 SF, fenced, no closer than 100SF from dwellings,	1/6000 SF, fenced, no closer than 100SF from dwellings,	1/6000 SF, fenced, no closer than 100SF from dwellings,	Breeding only on lots over 2 acres. See more
Other districts, with exceptions	Permit required for animals kept nearer than 500 FT to another dwelling	Permit required for animals kept nearer than 500 FT to another dwelling	Permit required for animals kept nearer than 500 FT to another dwelling	Permit required unless keeping fewer than 10 hens.	See more

*The above information is provided as a starting point to your search for an urban farm. City codes are updated and changed regularly, so before purchasing a property, please do your due diligence and confirm with the proper municipality that your preferred use is legal.

**Subdivision regulations and restrictive covenants supercede city codes, so be sure to check those before making a purchase to ensure your preferred use is not restricted.