

WARRANT ARTICLE == - Shall an ordinance dated May == and entitled “Amendments to the Town of Mount Desert Land Use Ordinance regarding Animal Husbandry and Animal Husbandry 2” be enacted as follows?

Explanatory Note: This amendment would make the standards below applicable to all districts.

6B SPECIFIC PERFORMANCE STANDARDS FOR ACTIVITIES AND LAND USES.

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6B.18. Animal Husbandry & Animal Husbandry 2 in the Village Commercial and Shoreland Commercial Districts

- 1. Permit Required.** A building permit is required for the construction of a henhouse and chicken pen.
- 2. Number and Type of Chickens Allowed.**
 1. The maximum number of chickens allowed is six (6) per lot regardless of how many dwelling units are on the lot. In the case of residential condominium complexes without individually owned back yards, the maximum number of chickens allowed is six (6) per complex.
 2. Only female chickens are allowed. There is no restriction on chicken species.
- 3. Non-Commercial Use Only.** Chickens shall be kept as pets and for personal use only; no person shall sell eggs or engage in chicken breeding or fertilizer production for commercial purposes.
- 4. Enclosures.**
 1. Chickens must be kept in an enclosure or fenced area at all times. During daylight hours, chickens may be allowed outside of their chicken pens in a securely fenced yard. Chickens shall be secured within the henhouse during non-daylight hours.
 2. Enclosures must be clean, dry, and odor-free, kept in a neat and sanitary condition at all times, in a manner that will not disturb the use or enjoyment of neighboring lots due to noise, odor or other adverse impact.
- 5. Odor.** Odors from chickens, chicken manure, or other chicken-related substances shall not be perceptible at the property boundaries.
- 6. Predators, Rodents, Insects, and Parasites.** The property owner shall take necessary action to reduce the attraction of predators and rodents and the potential infestation of insects and parasites. Chickens found to be infested with insects and parasites that may result in unhealthy conditions to human habitation

shall be removed by the Animal Control Officer.

7. **Waste Storage and Removal.** Provision must be made for the storage and removal of chicken manure. All stored manure shall be covered by a fully enclosed structure with a roof or lid over the entire structure. No more than three (3) cubic feet of manure shall be stored. All other manure not used for composting or fertilizing shall be removed. In addition, the henhouse, chicken pen and surrounding area must be kept free from trash and accumulated droppings. Uneaten feed shall be removed in a timely manner.