

LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION



DOG KENNELS

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT 3050 NORTH DELTA HIGHWAY, EUGENE OR 97408
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For areas outside an urban growth boundary.

16.090 Definitions.

Kennel; Commercial. A place of business where dogs are boarded. No more than two of the dogs shall be used for breeding. The term is not intended to include an animal hospital or noncommercial kennel.

Kennel; Commercial Breeding. A place of business for the breeding and/or selling of dogs. The term is not intended to include an animal hospital or noncommercial kennel.

Kennel; Noncommercial. An establishment or premises where three or more dogs, over six months of age, are kept or maintained. No more than two of the dogs shall be used for breeding. The term does not include any animal hospital.

The policy of the Land Management Division is to allow 8 dogs as an accessory use to an existing dwelling. No application is required. This interpretation recognizes that keeping multiple dogs is a normal activity that occurs on rural residential, farm and forest lands when a dwelling is present. This policy doesn't allow for the breeding of more than 2 dogs. Refer to the definition of "noncommercial kennel". If allowed in a zone, a commercial kennel requires a special use permit. Refer to Table 1 for zones that allow a commercial kennel.

This interpretation is consistent with the purposes of the farm, forest and rural residential zones. The purpose statements of these zones include reducing the conflicts between farm and urban activities [refer to LC 16.212(1)(c)] and promoting a rural residential living environment that is compatible with surrounding lands [refer to LC 16.290(1)(b)]. Table 1 shows the number of dogs allowed and whether a planning permit is required.

Table 1

| Zone | CHAPTER 16 ZONE NAME | Section | Base Limit: Personal Use no permit | Commercial Kennel: permit required | Code Citation |
|------|--------------------------------|---------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------|
| F-1 | Non-Impacted Forest Lands Zone | 16.210 | 8 | Home Occupation | 16.210(3)(n) |
| F-2 | Impacted Forest Lands Zone | 16.211 | 8 | Home Occupation | 16.211(3)(n) |
| EFU | Exclusive Farm Use Zone | 16.212 | 8 | Special Use Permit | 16.212(4)(w) |
| ML | Marginal Lands Zone | 16.214 | 8 | Home Occupation | 16.214(3)(d) |
| RR | Rural Residential Zone | 16.290 | 8 | Special Use Permit | 16.290(4)(j) |
| RC | Rural Commercial Zone | 16.291 | 8 | Special Use Permit | 16.291(3)(t) |
| RI | Rural Industrial Zone | 16.292 | 8 | prohibited | - |

Note: Not all zones have been included in Table 1. The listed zones cover approximately 95% of the county. Check with staff for permitted uses.

For areas inside an urban growth boundary and outside the city limits.

LC 10.020 Definitions.

Kennel. Any lot on which three or more dogs over the age of four months are kept.

The Land Management Division applies the same policy for Chapter 10 as for Chapter 16. However, it is only applicable to existing dwellings in the A1, F1 and CA zones. All other zones have specific rules regarding dogs and kennels.

Chapter 10 does not differentiate between commercial and non-commercial kennels. It contains standards for “kennels” but is silent on “commercial kennels”. Table 2 identifies how many dogs are allowed and whether a land use permit is required.

Table 2

| Zone | CHAPTER 10 ZONE NAME | Section | Base Limit: Personal Use no permit | Commercial Kennel: Permit required | Code Citation |
|-------------|------------------------------|----------------|---|---|------------------------------|
| EFU | Exclusive Farm Use District | 10.100 | 8 | prohibited | 10.100-10 |
| FM | Forest Management District | 10.102 | unlimited | Special Use Permit | 10.102-10(12) & 10.102-15(9) |
| F1 | Important Forest District | 10.103 | 8 | Home Occupation | 10.342 |
| F2 | Forest Land District | 10.104 | unlimited | HO Special Use Permit | 10.104-20(2) |
| FF20 | Farm-Forestry District | 10.105 | unlimited | Special Use Permit | 10.105-10(11) & 10.105-15(2) |
| GR10 | General Rural | 10.108 | unlimited | Special Use Permit | 10.108-10(9) & 10.108-15(17) |
| AGT | Agriculture, Grazing, Timber | 10.110 | 8 | Special Use Permit | 10.110-10(11) & 10.110-15(4) |
| GR1 | General Rural-I | 10.112 | unlimited | HO Special Use Permit | 10.112-10(9) & 10.112-20(i) |
| GR11 | General Rural-II | 10.113 | unlimited | HO Special Use Permit | 10.113-10(9) & 10.113-20(i) |
| RR | Rural Residential | 10.130 | 5 | Special Use Permit | 10.130-10(8) & 10.130-15(12) |
| RA | Suburban Residential | 10.135 | 5 | Special Use Permit | 10.135-10(14) & 10.135-15(3) |
| R1 | Single Family Residential | 10.140 | 5 | Special Use Permit | 10.140-10(12) & 10.140-15(2) |
| C1 | Limited Commercial | 10.155 | Special Use Permit for 5 | prohibited | 10.155-15(2) |
| C2 | Neighborhood Commercial | 10.160 | Special Use Permit for 5 | prohibited | 10.160-15(2) |
| C3 | Commercial District | 10.165 | Special Use Permit for 5 | prohibited | 10.165-15(2) |
| CT | Tourist Commercial District | 10.166 | - | Permitted / Special Use Permit | 10.166-10(9) & 10.166-15(4) |
| M1 | Limited Industrial | 10.170 | 8 | Special Use Permit | 10.170-10(4) & 10.170-15(10) |
| M2 | Light Industrial | 10.175 | 8 | Special Use Permit | 10.170-10(4) & 10.170-15(10) |
| M3 | Heavy Industrial | 10.180 | 8 | Special Use Permit | 10.170-10(4) & 10.170-15(10) |
| M4 | Special Heavy Industrial | 10.182 | unlimited | Special Use Permit | 10.182-10(11) & 10.182-20(1) |

- Notes:
- Not all zones are listed in Table 2. Check with staff for permitted uses.
 - The city codes are applicable inside the Eugene/Springfield urban growth boundary
 - Refer to the specific code citation for addition criteria. Some zones have acreage restrictions.