STROUD TOWNSHIP

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BACKYARD CHICKEN ZONING PERMIT APPLICATION

Permit Year: _____	**Permit No.:** _____	**Fee:** $_____

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Before applying, confirm that the property and proposed chicken-keeping arrangement meet all requirements of Stroud Township Zoning Ordinance § 27-508(1)(D)(2):

- Backyard chickens are permitted only as an accessory use on qualifying residential lots in the R-1, R-2, or R-3 District.
- The lot must contain at least 21,780 square feet (½ acre).
- Roosters are prohibited, and hens must remain on the owner's property.
- Coops and enclosures must be kept in good repair and located behind the principal structure.
- Coops and enclosures must be at least 25 feet from all property lines and 50 feet from any watercourse.
- Outdoor enclosures must be fenced or screened to a minimum height of four (4) feet.
- Feed and waste must be stored in secure containers.
- Commercial sales, breeding, and agricultural use are prohibited.
- The permit is valid for one (1) year and must be renewed annually.

PROPERTY INFORMATION

Property Address: _____

Tax Parcel Number: _____

Zoning District: ☐ R-1 ☐ R-2 ☐ R-3

Lot Size (sq. ft.): _____

Property Owner Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

BACKYARD CHICKEN INFORMATION

Number of Hens Requested: _____

Maximum Number Allowed Based on Lot Size: _____

Are any roosters proposed or currently kept on the property? ☐ Yes ☐ No

REQUIRED SUBMITTALS

Attach the following:

- ☐ Plot plan or property survey showing property boundaries, the principal dwelling, proposed coop and enclosure/run locations, setback dimensions, and nearby watercourses
- ☐ Photograph or drawing of the proposed coop/enclosure
- ☐ Additional supporting documentation, if applicable

APPLICANT CERTIFICATION

I certify that the information in this application is true and correct and that I will comply with the requirements listed above and all applicable provisions of Stroud Township Zoning Ordinance § 27-508(1)(D)(2).

Applicant Signature: _____

Date: _____

ZONING OFFICE REVIEW

Eligibility Verification

- ☐ R-1, R-2, or R-3 District
- ☐ Single-family or two-family dwelling
- ☐ Minimum lot size met: 21,780 sq. ft.
- ☐ Coop behind principal structure
- ☐ 25-foot property-line setback met
- ☐ 50-foot watercourse setback met
- ☐ Secure coop/enclosure provided
- ☐ Minimum four-foot fencing/screening provided
- ☐ No roosters proposed

Comments:

ZONING DECISION

☐ Approved

☐ Denied

Reason(s) for Denial:

Zoning Officer: _____

Date: _____

Permit Expiration Date: _____