

In the Garden Zone

How do I find out what my zoning is?

To find out what a property is zoned, go to the Planning Department website at

cityofomaha.org/planning

The Zoning Look-Up tool is at the top of the page.

To access the Zoning Look-Up tool directly, go to

dogis.org/zoning.html

Or call the Planner Help Desk
(402) 444-5150 ext 2063



Building raised beds in the Prospect Village neighborhood.



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*Zoning
&
Urban Farming*

Can I really farm in the City?

Where can growers sell their products? What size lot do you need to create an urban farm? What is the Peddled Goods ordinance and how does it apply to local growers?

Many people have questions about what is allowed and if permits are required regarding gardening and farming in the City limits. This brochure has been developed to answer some of these questions.

If you have additional questions, please call the Planner Help Desk at 402-444-5150 ext. 2063, or contact us by email at planning.desk@ci.omaha.ne.us

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**Gifford Park
Neighborhood
Market**

Zoning and Urban Agriculture

What is an AG District?

The Agricultural District is a 20 acre minimum lot, zoned specifically for agriculture, horticulture, crop and animal production and other allowed uses. Contact the Planner Help Desk for more details.

See back of brochure for how to look-up your zoning

What is a DR District?

The Development Reserve District is a one acre minimum lot, zoned for agriculture, horticulture, and crop production and other allowed uses. Contact the Planner Help Desk for more details.

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Can I raise livestock?

Goats, lambs, cattle and other livestock are allowed in AG and DR districts but must be kept in clean, healthy conditions with no solid or liquid waste or smells allowed to escape. They are not allowed to run at-large. The Douglas County Health Department regulates and inspects animals. Contact DCHD at 402-444-7481 to obtain a permit.

Yes, AG or DR Zones, Permit required

Can I raise chickens?

Yes. The Douglas County Health Department regulates and inspects animals raised in the City. Roosters are NOT permitted but chickens are. Poultry and similar fowl are to be kept in enclosed places on private property. Contact DCHD at 402-444-7481 to obtain a permit.

Yes, Permit required

Can I keep bees?

Yes, you can. Bees are to be kept in enclosed places on private property. The Douglas County Health Department regulates and inspects bee keeping. Contact DCHD at 402-444-7481 to obtain a permit.

Yes, Permit required

Can I sell the produce from my garden or farm?

See notes

Sales and retail operations or roadside stands at the garden site may be allowed in AG and DR districts subject to additional regulations. Sales are also permitted in commercial districts away from the garden site. Sales are NOT permitted in residential districts. For more information contact the Planner Help Desk.

Can I deliver or offer produce for sale to restaurants or others from a delivery vehicle?

Yes, Permits required by both the City and Douglas County Health Dept.

A Peddled Goods permit is required to sell and deliver produce and farm commodities to restaurants, hotels or resellers of such products under certain conditions. Contact the Permits & Inspections Division at 402-444-5350 and the Douglas County Health Department at

Do I need a permit to build a shed on my property?

See notes

Depending on the size of the shed you may need a permit. For sheds under 75 square feet a permit is not required. For larger sizes, call the Planner Help Desk.

I live in a Residential district and just want a backyard garden, do I need a permit?

No, you may garden, consume and share your gardening produce and knowledge with your neighbors.



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