204 - GENERAL DISTRICT PROVISIONS

G. Special Animal Keeping Regulations (except in Agricultural Districts A-1 and AII)

1. Small/Large animals and fowl must be housed or stabled on at least one-half acre Lot in accordance with the following minimum criteria:

   a. Fencing or housing shall be adequate to keep the animal(s) from infringing in any way on adjacent property, and selected and maintained for safety according to generally accepted standards, with lockable gates or doors and appropriate to the animal(s) and the conditions under which they are being kept. The Commission may, at its discretion, require screening for reasons of safety or aesthetics to meet the requirements or conditions in a particular neighborhood.

   b. Manure, urine, and other organic wastes shall be disposed of and sanitized so as to preclude the presence of flies and to prevent the presence of odors and noises offensive to neighboring residences. Such disposal shall also avoid pollution of groundwater or any lake or stream.

   c. Animal housing or stabling shall be safe, humane, and generally consistent with the appearance of other structures appurtenant to residences in the same area.

   d. No animal shall be kept or allowed to run within 50 feet of adjoining residences. The foregoing is not applicable to adjacent property classified agriculture under SDCL 10-6-31.3.

   e. By “fowl” is meant chickens, geese, ducks, turkeys, and peafowl with no more than 20 fowl allowed on property at any one time, unless transitioning with newborn, up to 6 weeks of age.

   f. By “small animal” is meant smaller than 24" at the shoulder and or not more than 150 lbs in weight.

   g. By “large animal” is meant one bovine or one equine; as an equivalent it may include 5 sheep.

   h. No livestock are allowed on less than one-half acre without a conditional use permit.