

6.27 THE KEEPING OF ANIMALS

All animals kept on premises are limited to domestic animals, household pets, farm livestock subject to the provisions of Sections 6.28 and 6.29 below, and, with proper Michigan Department of Natural Resources approval.

6.28 THE RECREATIONAL KEEPING OF HORSES

Recreational keeping of horses is a permitted use in the AG Zoning District, and a special use in the RS and R-2 Zoning Districts, subject to the standards included in this section.

6.28.1 Standards

- A. The minimum acreage required, consisting of contiguous land, is five (5) acres for the first two horses plus one (1) acre for each additional horse over two.
- B. Minimum fence and housing setbacks shall comply with the setback requirements for the respective Zoning District.
- C. Fresh water will be provided for each animal. Any wells and facilities shall comply with County Health Department standards.
- D. Every corral to be provided shall have a minimum dimension of not less than twelve (12) feet and shall contain not less than two hundred forty (240) square feet of area.
- E. Shelter shall be provided sufficient to accommodate all horses kept on site.
- F. Fences shall be maintained to insure containment.

6.28.2 Compliance with Health Regulations

The keeping of horses as provided for in this section shall comply with all regulations and provisions of the County Health Department and the United States Department of Agriculture.