

## **6.8 Commercial Feed Lots**

### **6.8.1 Purpose**

These regulations are designed to allow feed lots for feeding of livestock, furbearers and poultry, and at the same time protect the adjoining uses against odor, run off and other incompatible characteristics associated with feed lots.

### **6.8.2 General Requirements**

- (1) All feed lots as defined by this code are only permitted as conditional uses subject to the provisions of this code and the requirements of the North Dakota State Health Department.**
- (3) All feed lots shall be designed and constructed with all reasonable preventative measures to avoid surface run-off including construction of sealed collection and retention ponds.**
- (3) Where appropriate, there shall be sufficient drainage to avoid pollution of the ground and surface water from the standing effluents.**
- (4) Feed lots shall not be placed in the Floodplain Overlay District.**
- (5) The applicant, as a part of site approval application, shall submit a plan for removal and disposal of the liquid and solid waste generated by the feed lot.**
- (6) An "animal unit equivalent" is a unitless number developed from the nutrient and volume characteristics of manure for a specific livestock type. The term "animal units" is used to normalize the number of animal (e.g., head) for each specific livestock type which produce comparable bulk quantities of manure. The animal unit equivalents for types of livestock and the numbers of livestock for facility size thresholds of 300 animal units (a.u.), and so forth are listed in the following table.**
- (7) No feed lot shall be located nearer than one (1) mile from a residence other than the owner/operator's residence, residential development in an unincorporated area or city limits in the county, park, cemetery, church, or school.**



**Equivalent Numbers of the Livestock (head) for Three Sizes  
(animal units) of Animal Feeding Operations**

Livestock Type	Animal Unit Equivalent	300 a.u.	1,000 a.u.
1 horse	1.0	300	1,000
1 dairy cow	1.33	225	750
1 mature beef	1.0	300	1,000
1 beef feeder-finishing	1.0	300	1,000
1 beef feeder-backgrounding	0.75	400	1,333
1 mature bison	1.0	300	1,000
1 swine	0.4	750	2,500
1 goose or duck	0.2	1,500	5,000
1 sheep	0.1	3,000	10,000
1 turkey	0.2	1,500	5,000
1 chicken	0.1	3,000	10,000

**Setback Distances for Animal Feeding Operations**

Animal Units	Hog Operations	Other Operations
100-299	1 mi.	1 mi.
300-999	2 mi.	1 mi.
1000 or more	2 mi.	2 mi.

### **6.8.3 Animals Prohibited**

Dangerous and/or exotic animals such as but not limited to lions, tigers, cheetahs, bears, venomous reptiles, alligators, etc. are prohibited except for traveling fairs, circuses, and brief veterinary care unless a special use permit is obtained.

### **6.9 Garden Sheds**

A garden shed shall be no larger than twelve (12) feet by twelve (12) feet and no greater than twelve (12) feet in height. Garden sheds shall be located no less than three feet from the rear and side lot lines in rear corners of the property. There shall be no more than two (2) garden sheds on any zoning lot. Said structures shall have doors facing into the property.

### **6.10 Public nuisances**

The maintenance of public nuisances including, but not limited to noxious weeds, smoke, gases, radio interference, blighted structures or buildings, substantial noise in excess of 75 dB during the day and 65 dB at night, accumulation of junk, trash, rubbish, automobiles, dead or diseased trees shall be subject to the provisions of the County Ordinances.

#### **6.10.1 Noise**

Sustained noise of over 75 dB during the day and 65 dB at night is not allowed.

### **6.11 Recreational Vehicles, and Travel Trailers**

The use of recreational vehicles, travel trailers and other trailers used for temporary occupancy shall be limited to two hundred forty (240) days per year within the county. Storage of residents' recreational vehicles is unlimited.

### **6.12 Adult Entertainment Center**

#### **6.12.1 Purpose**

The purpose of this section is to limit location of an adult entertainment facility and its visible exposure to other residents of the township.

6.14.1.1 Location of an adult entertainment center is by conditional permit only.

- (1) An adult entertainment center shall not be located within 1,250 feet of any religious institution, cemetery, school, park or recreation facility (bike paths excluded). They shall be located in an industrial zoning district.
- (2) An adult entertainment center shall not be located within 1,250 feet of any establishment that dispenses alcohol on-premises.
- (3) An adult entertainment center shall not be located within 1,250 feet of any other adult entertainment center.
- (4) An adult entertainment center must prohibit entrance by persons less than 18 years of age.