

CHAPTER 10 ZONING

Agricultural Districts

10.1.5 A-5 Agricultural Living District

A. Purpose:

1. The primary purposes of the A-5 District are to:
 - a. maintain, preserve & enhance agricultural land historically utilized for crop production but which are not included within the A-1 & A-2 Districts.

B. Lands Included:

1. Lands included are those generally best suited for smaller farm uses, including truck farming, horse farming, hobby farming, orchards & similar agricultural related farming activities.

C. Principal Uses:

1. All principal uses permitted in the A-1 District.

D. Animal Unit:

1. An animal unit is the equivalent of 1000 pounds of live animal weight. Thus, a dairy cow weighing 1400 pounds would be 1.4 units, a 1000 pound horse would be 1.0 unit, a 300 pound hog would be 1.3 units, and a 4 pound chicken would be 0.025 units. Total animal units would be the combined total of all farm animals on the site during any time period. There will be one animal unit permitted per acre.
 - a. the total acreage of the parcel less 20,000 sq. ft. (20,000 sq. ft. is excluded as the "house area") or
 - b. the actual area of the parcel to be used for the animals. This provision shall be considered when part of the parcel is marsh, creek, steep sloped or in any way a sensitive area.

E. Conditional Uses are permitted in A-5 Agricultural Living District. See page 70.

F. Area, Height and Yard Requirements:

Lot (farm size) if buildings exist	Area	Minimum 2 acres
	Width	Minimum 200 feet
Building		
Farm Dwelling	Height	35 feet
Other Structures	Height	Maximum 2 times their distance from nearest lot line
Yard		
Farm Dwelling	Rear	Minimum 100 feet
	Side	Minimum 20 feet
	Street	Minimum 75 feet from center line of Town and County Roads and 75 feet from right-of-way of State Roads
Other structures	Rear	Minimum 25 feet if not used for housing animals, 100 feet if used for housing animals
	Side	Minimum 20 feet if not used for housing animals, 100 feet if used for housing animals
	Street	Minimum 75 feet from center line of Town, County Roads and 75 feet from right-of-way of State Roads.