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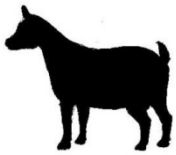
SMALL ANIMALS – DWARF GOATS



Keeping dwarf goats can be a rewarding task, not to mention opportunities for fresh milk! Before you get started check to see if dwarf goats are allowed in your zone district. Use the following requirements and resources to learn more about keeping goats in Lakewood. Be aware that goats need regular care to maintain health, including daily fresh food and water and regular cleanup. Consider whether you have the time and appropriate space to care for them before you adopt!

Residential Zone District	Permit Requirements	Standards
R-1-43 R-1-18 R-1-12 R-1-9	No permit required	
R-1-6	Permit required	▪ Maximum 3 goats per property. ▪ Goats shall be counted towards the total number of household pets permitted on a property. ▪ Must provide a predator-resistant enclosure. o Minimum of 30 square feet living space per goat. o Must be secure, roofed, and well ventilated. o Maximum 90 square feet and 10 feet in height. o Locate in Side or Rear yard, and meet minimum. setbacks for accessory structures. ▪ No male goats permitted. ▪ Goats must be kept in the enclosure or fenced area at all times (Min. 4 feet tall fence).
R-2	Only allowed with special use permit (See Article 2)	▪ If approved, follow standards for R-1-6. ▪ Special use permit applies only to occupant, not property.
Other Zone Districts	Not permitted	n/a

Resources for Keeping Dwarf Goats

http://www.thegoatspot.net/ - forum on pygmy goat care
http://goatjusticeleague.org/ - beginners info on urban goats
http://www.denverurbanhomesteading.com/ - urban agriculture center

Books
Basic Goat Keeping On Rural & Urban Property by Rachel Lynn