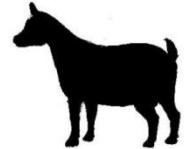


## SMALL ANIMALS – DWARF GOATS

[Section 17.4.3.1.D](#) of the Lakewood Zoning Ordinance

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! Remember that dwarf goats count towards the total number of household pets allowed on a property.



Residential Zone District	Permit Requirements	Standards
R-1-43 R-1-18 R-1-12 R-1-9	No permit required	
R-1-6 R-2	Permit required	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Maximum 3 females or 2 females and 1 wether per property.</li> <li>▪ Goats shall be counted towards the total number of household pets permitted on a property.</li> <li>▪ Must provide a predator-resistant enclosure. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Minimum of 10 square feet living space per goat.</li> <li>○ Must be secure, roofed, and well ventilated.</li> <li>○ Maximum 90 square feet and 10 feet in height.</li> <li>○ Locate in side or rear yard, and meet minimum setbacks for accessory structures.</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ No unneutered male goats are permitted.</li> <li>▪ Goats must be kept in the enclosure or fenced area at all times (Min. 4 feet tall fence).</li> </ul>
Other Zone Districts	Not permitted	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Unless a single family home or duplex exists as a non-conforming use in the mixed use district.</li> <li>▪ For single family home or duplex in mixed use district, see R-1-6 and R-2 standards above.</li> </ul>

### 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

