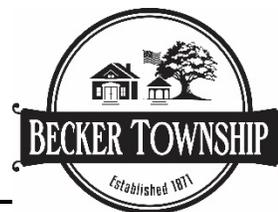


KENNEL PERMIT APPLICATION

Becker Township
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Becker, MN 55308

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763-261-5301



Date Received _____
Date Paid: _____ Check Number: _____
Date Application Received: _____
Date Application Complete: _____
CUP Required? _____ (attach copy)

New Renewal
 Commercial Private
Fee: _____

For Office Use Only

FULL NAME(S) OF OWNER(S) _____

Note: If more than one owner listed on tax record, all must apply and sign for private kennel permit

DOING BUSINESS AS (DBA) NAME OR TRADE NAME: _____

If DBA/Trade Name, Commercial Kennel License Is Required

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

CELL PHONE _____ ALTERNATE PHONE: _____

EMAIL _____

Prior Address (es) where more than three (3) dogs were kept:		

SITE ADDRESS IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE:

_____ Attach sheet with complete site manager contact information

PARCEL ID: _____ PARCEL SIZE: _____

CURRENT ZONING

- Agriculture District General Rural Commercial
- Neighborhood Comm. Industrial 1 Industrial 2
- Heavy Industrial

WETLANDS: Shoreland Shoreland River District Wetland

Is the Property located within 1,000 feet from a lake or 300 feet from a river? YES NO

INITIAL kennel license application, the following information is required:

- Indicate type of kennel
 - Commercial (Breeding and sales operations and boarding operations). Include copy of state license if required. Check Minnesota Board of Animal Health for requirements.
 - Recreational/Private. More than three (3) dogs or the keeping of dogs for trials, sled racing or similar. No boarding of animals that do not belong to owner.
 - Foster or Rescue Shelter with more than three (3) dogs, Commercial
- Breed of Dog
- AKC Classification of Dog (toy, small, medium, large, very large)
- Number of Dogs by Sex
- Site Plan
- Vaccination Records by Dog Name
- Written narrative describing, at a minimum:
 - Maximum number of dogs
 - Staffing (commercial only)
 - Building design
 - Waste Control
 - Animal Health
- Attach a scaled drawing of the property and structures affected showing:
 - Legal description of the property
 - scale and North arrow
 - dimensions of the property and structures
 - distance to center of the road the structure fronts
 - front, side and rear yard building setbacks to kennel
 - location of and distance to the well
 - location of and distance to the septic system (tank and drainfields)
 - location of existing driveway(s)
 - location of and distance to all dwellings within 500 feet of the proposed dog kennel
 - location & use of existing structures

RENEWAL kennel license application, the following information is required:

- Number of dogs by sex
- Vaccination records by Dog Name

GENERAL COMMENTS:

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have no delinquent property taxes, special assessments, penalties, or interest due on the parcel to which the application relates. I am also aware that the property taxes

which are being paid under the provisions of a court order or which are in the process of being appealed are not considered delinquent for purposes of this law if all payments under the terms of the order or appeal have been paid.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that if I am in violation of this requirement, the Town of Becker may deny the permit application by law.

I HEREBY STATE that all of the information stated in this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I agree that all work will comply with applicable Federal, State and local regulations. I also agree to allow Becker Township officials to enter the property during normal business hours to conduct tests and inspections as may be needed to process the permit application and enforce the license.

The undersigned hereby requests a license to keep the number of dogs described above on the subject property and declares under penalty of law acknowledgement and acceptance of all information, conditions, and requirements represented in this document. The undersigned authorizes the Town of Becker to search all necessary public records relevant to the keeping of animals, including police and animal control records of current and previous places of residence.

Applicant(s) shall ensure the property is kept in a sanitary condition and that animal waste is picked up regularly and disposed of appropriately. Applicant(s) shall ensure that the animals are not allowed to run at-large and that no sustained barking occurs which the Sheriff determines may impact neighboring properties. Applicant(s) acknowledge that this license is valid only for the Applicant(s) named and only on the property identified.

The undersigned further agrees to abide by all conditions of this license and all applicable laws and regulations as described in the resolution of approval (if license is approved) and acknowledges that the Town may revoke the license upon a showing that the conditions of the license have been violated or upon a showing that the health, safety, or welfare of the public or of the animals are being endangered.

Signature of Owner (s)	Date	Printed Name
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REVIEW PROCESS

NOTICE:

Upon receiving an application, the Town notifies neighbors within 500 feet of applicant's property prior to approval or denial of the license. Said neighbors have 10 days to provide comment to the Town.

REVIEW:

The Town Zoning Administrator shall review the proposed license along with any comments received. The Town Zoning Administrator will notify the Owner of approval or denial upon completion of the review.

- 1) The Town Zoning Administrator may approve the license, attaching thereto any conditions necessary to protect the immediate neighborhood from conditions which endanger the health, safety, or welfare of the public or of the animals. These conditions may include, but are not limited to improved fencing and screening, nose mitigation, animal waste management, and adequate animal shelter provisions.
- 2) The Town Zoning Administrator shall deny any license upon finding that the granting of the kennel license would likely endanger the health, safety, or welfare of the public or of the animals; or that granting of the kennel license would likely create nuisance conditions.

Definitions:

Kennel, Commercial: Any commercial operation that boards dogs and/or cats.

Kennel, Private: Any lot where four or more dogs over six months of age are owned or kept for private enjoyment.

General Performance Standards

Permitted Density in the Agriculture Zoning District:

1. Less than 2 acres: 0.5 animal units.
2. 2.00 to 2.99 acres: 1.0 animal units
3. 3.00 and larger 1.0 animal units for the first two acres, and 1.0 animals per full acre owned above 2 acres.

In the Agriculture Zoning District, an animal unit density greater than those listed above requires a Conditional Use Permit, with a review of existing and proposed site conditions, structures, etc.

Cats and dogs or other domestic animals customarily kept as household pets are allowed on any size parcel without a density restriction unless kept within a commercial kennel.

Permitted Density in the General Rural Zoning District:

1. Less than 2 acres: .5 animal units
2. 2.00 to 2.99 acres: 1.0 animal units
3. 3.00 and larger: 1.0 animal unit for the first two acres, and 1.0 animal units per full acre owned above two acres, with a limit of 20.0 animal units.

In the General Rural Zoning District, an animal unit density greater than those listed above or a total number of units greater than 20.0 requires a conditional use permit, with a review of existing and proposed site conditions, structures, etc.

Cats and dogs and other domestic animals customarily kept as household pets are allowed on any size parcel without a density restriction unless kept within a commercial kennel.

5. Kennels, Commercial:

A Commercial Kennel shall be subject to the following standards:

- A. Commercial Kennels are limited to the boarding of dogs and cats. Boarded dogs and cats are to generally be considered domestic, or household pets. No wild or hybrid dogs or cats are allowed on the premises at any time.
- B. Commercial Kennels that transfer or sell dogs and/or cats must be licensed as a dealer by the Minnesota Board of Animal Health.

- C. Commercial Kennels are a conditional use and limited to the AG and GR districts on lots over 2.5 Acres.
- D. Commercial Kennel operators must be licensed by the township.
 - 1. Township Kennel Operator License applications must be submitted to the Township Planning and Zoning department on proper forms and must be accompanied with the following:
 - a. Payment in full of a predetermined fee set by the Township Board
 - b. One copy of the operator's general business plan
 - c. One copy of proof of licensure by the Minnesota Board of Animal Health, if applicable
 - d. A site plan that includes: Primary Structure, accessory buildings, property lines, perimeter fence (type, size and location), outdoor dog run locations and weather shelter type and location
 - e. Operational Plan
 - f. Manure management plan
- E. Township Kennel Licenses must be renewed annually.
 - 1. License Renewal Applications must be submitted on proper forms to the Township Planning and Zoning Department and accompanied by the following
 - a. Payment in full of a predetermined fee set by the Township Board
 - b. At the time of renewal, any changes or proposed changes related to the Commercial Kennel operation that were approved under the provisions of subsection C., require review by the township zoning administrator or their appointed representative to verify compliance. A copy of any new Minnesota Board of Animal Health license (if required), or new plans shall be submitted along with the renewal application.
- F. Commercial Kennels are subject to spot inspections by state, county or township authorities
- G. Confinement areas for dogs and cats must meet the following standards:
 - 1. Fence, wall and gate are a minimum 6 feet in height and secured to a solid, waterproof floor that that can be regularly cleaned and insulates the enclosure from earthen surface.
 - 2. Fencing material must be strong enough to prevent an animal from escape and be made of a material that is not injurious to an animal and secured to the floor in a manner that a dog or cannot escape, by digging, chewing, or forcibly causing an opening.
 - 3. The size of the confinement area must be large enough for the animal to stand, exercise, turn around, and fully lie down

4. Make available an access to a ventilated, covered shelter with adequate protection from precipitation and harmful weather conditions
 5. Be kept clean and easily accessible for daily cleaning
- H. During any period that a dog or cat is not confined, an employee or the pet owner must maintain control of the animal by means of a leash or other device to prevent escape. Means of control may be subject to the discretion of the zoning administrator or his or her agent.
 - I. The maximum allowable number of dogs and/or cats kept may not exceed 40 on any size lot. The maximum number of dogs or cats allowed at any given time on the premises is contingent upon the size of the property as follows: 5 dogs over six months of age, 10 cats over 6 months of age are allowed per acre of land. No more than 10 unsterilized female dogs may be kept on any property, regardless of acreage.
 - J. All confinement areas must be 500 feet from any residence not including the on-site operator's residence.
 - K. The use shall comply with all applicable Federal, State, County, and Town rules and regulations.
 - L. Structures used for animal confinement require a minimum 100 foot setback from any property line and 500 feet from any residential dwelling, other than the applicant's, that is existing at the time of application.
 - M. On-site waste facilities shall be designed to accommodate all waste generated from kennels including hosing and cleanup.
 - N. Kennel facilities shall be designed to accommodate winter boarding including adequate heating, ventilation, and lighting.
 - O. All outdoor kennel facilities shall provide adequate shelter from the elements including sunlight, rain, snow, and cold weather.
 - P. Kennel facilities shall be adequately cleaned and drained and maintained to provide a healthy environment for dogs and cats.
 - Q. Kennel operations are not exempt from nuisance ordinances including, but not limited to noise, odor, and blight.
 - R. Any Commercial Kennel is required to promote the health, safety and welfare of any dog or cat kept on the premises and any person that comes in contact with an animal.
 - S. Dogs and cats kept in Commercial Kennel must be treated in a humane manner, be provided proper nutrition, and have constant access to fresh water.
 - T. Any injuries or illness to a dog or cat must be treated as advised by a licensed veterinarian.
 - U. Vaccination records for each dog and cat must be kept on the premises and vaccinations for each dog or cat must be current and compliant as required by the Minnesota Department of Animal Health on the premises.

- V. Any accessory structure(s) required for a Commercial Kennel must meet regulations for the zoning district it is located.
- W. A Commercial Kennel operated as a home occupation shall comply with all requirements of section 16.14 of the zoning ordinance.
- X. Each violation of any portion of this ordinance is considered a separate misdemeanor offence.

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6. Kennels, Private:

A private kennel shall be subject to the following standards:

- A. Structures used for animal confinement shall meet the setback requirements of the applicable zoning district.
- B. Kennel facilities shall be designed to accommodate winter boarding including adequate heating, ventilation and lighting.
- C. All outdoor kennel facilities shall provide adequate shelter from the elements including sunlight, rain, snow, and cold weather.
- D. Kennel facilities shall be adequately drained and maintained in a healthful manner.

Suggestion for commercial kennels? Things noted when designing the permit

AKC Land Area per dog requirements

- Toy = ¼ acre
- Small = ½ acre
- Medium = ¾ acre
- Large = 1 acre
- Very Large = 1 ¼ acre

SECTION 6 KENNELS AND BOARDING

6.01 The keeping or boarding of more than three dogs on the same premises, whether owned by the same person or not and for whatever purpose kept, shall constitute a “kennel;” except that a fresh litter of pups born of the dog(s) allowed on the premises may be kept for a period of six months before such keeping shall be deemed to be a kennel. No person may operate a kennel without first obtaining a permit from the Township

Kennel, Commercial – Any place where four or more dogs over six months of age are owned, kept, boarded, bred and/or offered for sale.

Kennel, Private – Any place where four or more dogs over six months of age are owned or kept for private enjoyment.

Kennel Run – enclosed area, indoor or outdoor to allow animals to exercise.

Kennel (commercial or hobby). “Kennel (commercial or hobby)” shall mean any structure or premises on which four (4) or more domestic animals over six (6) months of age are kept.

The owners will cooperate with annual inspections of the facility in coordination with Land Use staff.
. Appropriate precautions are taken to prevent dogs from leaving the property.

Age thing on dogs for private kennels varies from 4-6 months of age to be counted as a dog vs. puppy