
Sec. 4.3.28. Reserved Limitations on Ownership and Possession of Dogs and Cats.

The number of dogs and cats which may be owned and/or possessed in unincorporated Marion County are limited as follows:

A. On all non-agriculturally zoned properties, the number of dogs shall not exceed four (4) per residence. The number of cats shall not exceed eight (8) per residence.

B. On all agriculturally zoned properties under ten (10) acres, the number of dogs shall not exceed six (6) per residence. The number of cats shall not exceed ten (10) per residence. If the number of dogs or cats, in aggregate, exceeds fifteen (15), an animal permit as a High-Volume Owner, as defined herein, from Marion County Animal Services must also be obtained.

C. On all agriculturally zoned properties over ten (10) acres, the number of dogs shall not exceed ten (10) per residence. The number of cats shall not exceed fifteen (15) per residence. If the number of dogs or cats, in aggregate, exceeds fifteen (15), an animal permit as a High-Volume Owner, as defined herein, from Marion County Animal Services must also be obtained.

D. High Volume Owners, as defined herein, may apply for an exemption through the Special Use permit review and permitting process in the A-1, General Agriculture; A-2, Improved Agriculture; or A-3, Residential Agricultural Estate zoning classification on parcels of ten (10) acres or greater.

E. Service animals are exempt from these requirements and are not counted toward the total number of animals permitted.