

Whitley County

These standards do not include the Agricultural Production District standards as CFOs are allowed without rezoning to this district up to a certain size. CFOs larger than 3000 animal units as defined in the ordinance would require a rezoning. See ordinance for details.



Farmland Coverage
65.23% land in farmland

2014 Population
33,403 ↔

Top Employing Industries
Manufacturing, Government and Government Enterprises

County Type
Rural County

Ordinance Regulates
CFOs

Definition
Uses IDEM definition, but creates animal units to regulate size of operation permitted or special exception in different districts. 3,000 animal units would be equivalent to 3,000 cows, 7,500 finishing hogs, or 60,000 chickens.

| ZONING DISTRICT ¹ | PERMITTED USE / SPECIAL EXCEPTION |
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| Agricultural (AG) | Permitted Use |
| Agricultural Production (AGP) | Permitted Use |
| REZONE REQUIRED: NO* | |

ADDITIONAL STANDARDS

Use standards for CFOs beyond zoning district's standards unless otherwise specified.

SETBACKS

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| Right of Way (ft) | None |
| Property Line (ft) | None |

BUFFERS

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| Zoning Districts (ft) | None |
| Municipal Boundary (ft) | None |
| Residential Use (ft) | None |
| <i>Exception for farm house</i> | |
| Religious Institution (ft) | None |
| School (ft) | None |
| Recreational Areas (ft) | None |
| Business (ft) | None |
| Other Buffered Uses (ft) | None |

APPLICATION PROCESS REQUIREMENTS

Only checked processes are required.

- Pre-application permit required
- Site plan required
- Development plan review
- Other Processes
- Site scoring system

OTHER

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| Proof of IDEM Permit Required | No |
| Existing Violation Clause | None |
| Odor Control Standards | None |
| <i>Manure Management</i> | |
| Manure Application Standards | None |
| Manure Storage Standards | None |
| Animal Mortalities Standards | None |
| Transportation/Driveway & Parking Standards | None |
| Well/Water Standards | None |
| Screening/Shelterbelt Standards | None |
| Minimum Lot Size (acres) | None |
| Other | None |

RELATED STANDARDS

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| Reciprocal Buffer | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| County Has Agricultural Clause | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

COUNTY LIVESTOCK STATS

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| Active CFO Permits (2014) | 30 |
| Approximate Livestock Count (2012) | 50,816 |

WHITLEY COUNTY FACTS

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| 2014 Population Density (people/mi ²) | 99.5 |
| Housing Unit Density (houses/mi ²) | 42.6 |
| PCPI (2014) | \$37,099 |
| <i>Unincorporated Area</i> (excluding census designated places) | |
| Share of Population | 57% |
| Share of Land | 96% |

FOOTNOTES

1. AG district: CFOs with 1,200 animal units or less are permitted; CFOs 1,201-3,000 units are permitted by special exception. AGP district: CFOs up to 3,000 animal units are permitted; over 3,000 animal units are permitted by special exception. *Rezone would be required for CFOs exceeding 3,000 animal units.

COUNTY CONTACT INFORMATION

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ORDINANCE

Information presented as of 8/15/2015. For more details about Whitley County's land use ordinances on CFO/CAFOs, please visit <https://aq.purdue.edu/Documents/ordinance>.