



Benefits of Urban Hens

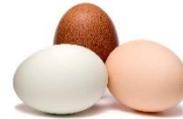
- Increased food security and local food sustainability
- Education about raising farm animals
- Improved energy and resource sustainability
- Reduced municipal waste, as hens eat kitchen scraps
- Benefits to gardens through the use of manure in compost and fertilizer
- Reduced need for pesticides, as hens eat insects



Information

Information and application packages are available at the Municipal Hall (#1 Opal Drive) or on the District's website at www.loganlake.ca.

Registration with the Province of BC is also required and may be completed online at www2.gov.bc.ca under Food Safety.



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BACKYARD HENS

GUIDELINES



The Facts

The Keeping of Animals Bylaw allows for the regulation and licensing of backyard hen keeping. Below are the regulations you should know.

Minimum Lot Size Standards

- Hens are conditionally allowed to be kept on property zoned for single-family residential use (R1, R3 and ER).
- Hens are not permitted on multi-family lots.

Number of Hens

- Up to (5) hens may be kept on any property with a single-family dwelling in the R1 and R3 Zones.
- Up to (25) hens may be kept on any property with a single-family dwelling in the (ER) Estate Residential Zones.
- Roosters are NOT permitted within the District of Logan Lake.
- Other types of poultry are not permitted unless specified in the Keeping of Animals Bylaw.

Coop Standards and Setbacks

Every building (coop) or enclosure used to accommodate hens must be:

- Located in the rear and/or side yard of the lot and behind and/or beside the dwelling;
- Locate the Coop behind to the side or rear of the principle dwelling unit and comply with all setback regulations;
- provide 0.5 square metres (5.38 square feet) per hen of floor area (maximum size of coop and hen enclosure combined = 7.5 square metres (80.73 square feet) in area;
- provide one perch and one nest per hen;
- hen enclosure must be covered entirely on all sides and top;
- Coop must have a water tight roof covering.

Bylaw Enforcement will continue to provide Animal Control Enforcement services.
Please call (250) 318-4964 with any questions or concerns

Care of Hens

- Owners should be educated and ensure proper maintenance and humane care for the hens.
- Owners must abide by Provincial and Federal standards for care of poultry.

Chickens love to scratch around in the backyard. What are they looking for?

Food! And what food do they find other than weeds, grass, leaves, and plants? Yep, you guessed it—bugs!

Hen Keeping Standard

- Slaughtering of hens on a single-family lot is not permitted. Hens, at the end of their life, will need to be taken to a veterinarian, farm, or sold at a poultry auction or abattoir.

District Requirements

- Owners must pay a \$50 one-time license fee;
- Owners must notify the District of Logan Lake when they no longer have hens on the property;
- Feed must be enclosed in an air tight container outside of the hen enclosure and must not be located in an area accessible by wildlife and animals.