

APPLICATION PROCESS

To start the process an application form must be filled in and received by Town Office accompanied by the application fee of \$100. If you are renting the property, you must obtain a written letter with permission from the property owner to house hens.

After the application form and fee have been received, the Bylaw Officer will send a notice to the adjacent landowners. If 50% or more of the adjacent landowners object to the application of having hens, then the application will be denied.

If there is no opposition from adjacent landowners, the Bylaw Officer will schedule an appointment to inspect the chicken coop and ensure it meets the bylaw's requirements.

If the applicant meets all of the bylaw requirements, the landowner/applicant will be notified and required to pay the annual license fee of \$30.00.

Urban Hens Fees:

Application Fee	\$100.00
Annual License Fee	\$30.00
Due by January 31st each year	

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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**WHAT YOU NEED
TO KNOW**

BYLAW REQUIREMENTS

An Urban Hen License may be issued if the following have been met:

- Applicant must be the owner of the property or have written consent from the property owner
- The property must be zoned as a residential land use district, excluding Residential Multi-Unit - R5 properties, according to the Town's Land Use Bylaw.
- The applicant must reside on the property on which the hens will be kept
- All required information has been provided
- The applicable fee has been paid
- The applicant has complied with all other Provincial and Federal regulations for the keeping of hens.

COOP REQUIREMENTS

The chicken coop must meet the following requirements:

- Appropriately sized
 - 0.37 m² (3.98 sq. ft.) interior and 0.92 m² (9.9 sq. ft.) outdoor enclosure per hen
- Less than 2 meters in height
- Located in rear of property
- Meets setback requirements for accessory buildings and structures as outlined in the Town's current Land Use Bylaw
- Has one nest box
- Has one perch per hen at least 15 cm long
- In good repair and secure
- Constructed to prevent rodents

PROHIBITED

Under the Urban Hen Bylaw, the following is prohibited:

- Selling of eggs, meat, manure, or other products derived from a hen
- Slaughtering of any hen on the property
- Disposal of any hen except by delivering to a farm, abattoir, veterinarian, or other operation that is lawfully permitted to dispose of such
- Keep a hen in a cage, kennel, or any other form of shelter other than a coop, except for temporary transport
- Allowing hens outside of the coop

PREMISE IDENTIFICATION NO. (PID)

A Premise Identification No. is a program in Alberta that links livestock and poultry to a land location or premise. The program was developed to control and prevent the spread of animal diseases and is used as an early warning system to notify animal owners of a natural disaster that could affect their animals.

Within 30 days of acquiring the hens, the applicant must apply for a PID and provide a copy to the Town Office.

<https://partners.agric.gov.ab.ca/pid/welcome.page>

