

URBAN CHICKENS



Stanstead

YOUR GUIDE FOR SUCCESS



PILOT PROJECT

Following adoption of By-law 2020-03 in December 2020, the Town of Stanstead now authorizes the keeping of laying hens within city limits.

The implementation of this kind of project requires the involvement of citizens seeking to following this ecological trend, the approval of the town council and a great deal of effort from the administrative team to create procedures that will guarantee the success of this pilot project.

The goal of this guide is to simplify the information in By-law 2020-03 and offer a summary of guidelines that must be following before beginning your project of keeping laying hens.

If, after reading this guide, you continue planning your project, we invite you to consult our brochure that contains more specific guidelines.

www.stanstead.ca/en/citizens/

MAY I PARTICIPATE ?

Various criteria must be respected in order to keep laying hens. You must:

- Live in the Town of Stanstead in a single-family, semi-detached or two-family home (duplex);
- Plan a minimal distance of 2m from property lines and 3m from main buildings;
- Possess a chicken coop arranged with specific equipment (see brochure);
- Not keep birds or fowl other than laying hens (rooster, turkeys, geese, etc.);
- Ensure that installations respect the guidelines published by the MAPAQ (French):

www.mapaq.gouv.qc.ca/fr/publications/poulesenville.pdf



BEFORE YOU GET STARTED

1 - You must first request a permit from the Town of Stanstead. The cost is \$10.00, which also includes an annual license.

2 - When you submit your permit request, you must include an implementation plan that indicates the location of hens on your land, as well as a plan of the coop.

3 - A permit will be issued once the site has been verified and approved in conformity to By-law 2020-30.

If you already have your hens, you must still obtain a permit in order to ensure the conformity of your site. You will be exposed to fines in the case of disrespect.

TIPS

Raccoons, skunks and weasels are notable among the enemies of urban hens. Be sure to install a latch that can pass the test of raccoons' agile hands!

The use of diatomaceous earth is an affordable, ecological and efficient way to fight parasites and illness among hens.