

# Public Service Announcement

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City of Edmonton

## Be First to the Roost

### Urban hens pilot now accepting applications

The City of Edmonton's first urban hens pilot project is ready to take flight. Residents interested in keeping hens in their backyard can apply to participate by submitting the application form available at [edmonton.ca/hens](http://edmonton.ca/hens).

Participants selected will be granted temporary permission to keep between one and eight hens in their backyard for the duration of the pilot project, which runs until the end of summer 2015.

Once chosen, participants will be required to obtain consent from their neighbours and submit plans for coop location and waste disposal. Animal Control Peace Officers will regulate and monitor the coops regularly to ensure compliance with the pilot guidelines.

The pilot is designed to gather additional information about the enforcement needs and community concerns associated with urban hens. The results of the pilot will be made public in the fall of 2015.

Animal Licensing and Control currently prohibits the keeping of hens in Edmonton's residential areas. For more information on the urban hens pilot project or the Animal Licensing and Control Bylaw, please visit [edmonton.ca/hens](http://edmonton.ca/hens).

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