



Applicant Declaration

I _____

(print name(s) clearly)

of the Municipality of West Elgin in the County of Elgin in the Province of Ontario in this action, MAKE AN OATH AND SAY (or *AFFIRM*);

- 1) The information contained in this application and other attached documentation is true to the best of my knowledge.
- 2) I have reviewed the following attached documents:
 - Municipality of West Elgin By-law 2024-84;
 - OMAFRA Factsheet titled "Raise Healthy Small Flock Poultry";
 - Reviewed the OMAFRA Factsheet titled "Rodent Control in Livestock and Poultry Facilities";
 - Reviewed the Ministry of Health Factsheet titled "Reducing Health Risks Associated with Backyard Chickens ".
- 3) I understand and agree to comply with all the regulations contained in the Backyard Hens By-law 2024-84, including but not limited to:
 - A maximum of six (6) backyard hens shall be allowed on each permitted property.
 - All backyard hens shall be at least four (4) months old.
 - The keeping of roosters is strictly prohibited.
 - The slaughtering of backyard chickens/hens on the property is prohibited.
 - The selling of eggs, manure, meat or other products derived from backyard chickens/hens is prohibited.
 - A backyard hen coop shall be provided that has:
 - 1) A maximum ground floor area of 9.0 m²
 - 2) At least 0.37 m² of floor area for each hen;
 - 3) A maximum height of 4.5 m.



- The backyard hen coop and manure storage area, exclusive of the outdoor enclosure, shall not cumulatively exceed an area of 10 m².
- All backyard hen coops shall be a fully enclosed weatherproof structure or enclosure with ventilation and a heat source, built to prevent any rodent(s) from harbouring underneath or within its walls and to prevent entrance by any other animal. The interior shall include:
 - 1) At least one nest box for egg laying;
 - 2) At least one perch giving 0.3 m of space per hen;
 - 3) At least one food and water container.
- The backyard hen coop shall have a heat source that is a Canadian Standards Association (CSA) rated product and meets the Electrical Safety Authority (ESA) standards upon installation. It is the owner's responsibility to follow the manufacturer's instructions for the heat source to ensure proper use.
- All backyard hen coops must be kept in a clean and sanitary condition at all times, free of vermin, obnoxious smells and substances and in good repair.
- All backyard hen coops and outdoor runs shall be secured against the entry of predators.
- Backyard hens must be provided with food and clean water at all times, shelter, light, and ventilation to assist in keeping the hens in good health. Food and water shall be kept in solid, rodent proof and weather proof containers. Uneaten feed shall be removed in a timely manner.
- All stored manure shall be covered by a fully enclosed container. No more than three (3) cubic feet of manure shall be stored. All other manure not used for composting or fertilizing shall be removed daily from the hen coop and outdoor run.
- All backyard hens must be kept securely in a coop or outdoor run at all times. Backyard hens are not permitted to run at large.
- The backyard hen coop must be locked from sunset to sunrise.



DECLARED before me at
Municipality of West Elgin in the County of Elgin in the Province of Ontario day of
this

_____, 20____
(Month) (Year)

(Signature of Applicant ****To be signed in presence of Commission of Oaths***)

A Commissioner of Oaths

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