



Policy for keeping hens on allotments

The following policy is devised for the keeping of hens on allotments upon permission being granted from the Council.

All hens must be kept in a coop, and should have:

- At least 4 feet by 3 feet floor area for each bird.
- Turkeys must have an 8ft by 6ft shed for ½ dozen birds with a perch 2 ½ foot above ground
- A perch for them to stand on while they sleep
- An exercise space or 'run' accessed daily.
- A nesting box filled with wood shavings for the hens to lay eggs

The coop must be cleaned every week and fresh bedding put out.

The Council permits up to 12 large, 4 turkeys or 20 small fowl on a ten pole plot or half that amount for a five pole plot.

Not more than half the plot should be occupied by livestock, the other half used for cultivation.

Feed must be raised off the ground and kept in metal containers.

Upon the Council permission to keep chickens on your allotment you must provide the Council with the number of chickens that you intend to keep.

If the number of stock kept on site exceeds the above number from January 2012, the plot holder must reduce his/her stock to the above within two years.

The Council does not permit any other livestock except rabbits to be kept on the site and no Cockerels are permitted on any allotment sites.