



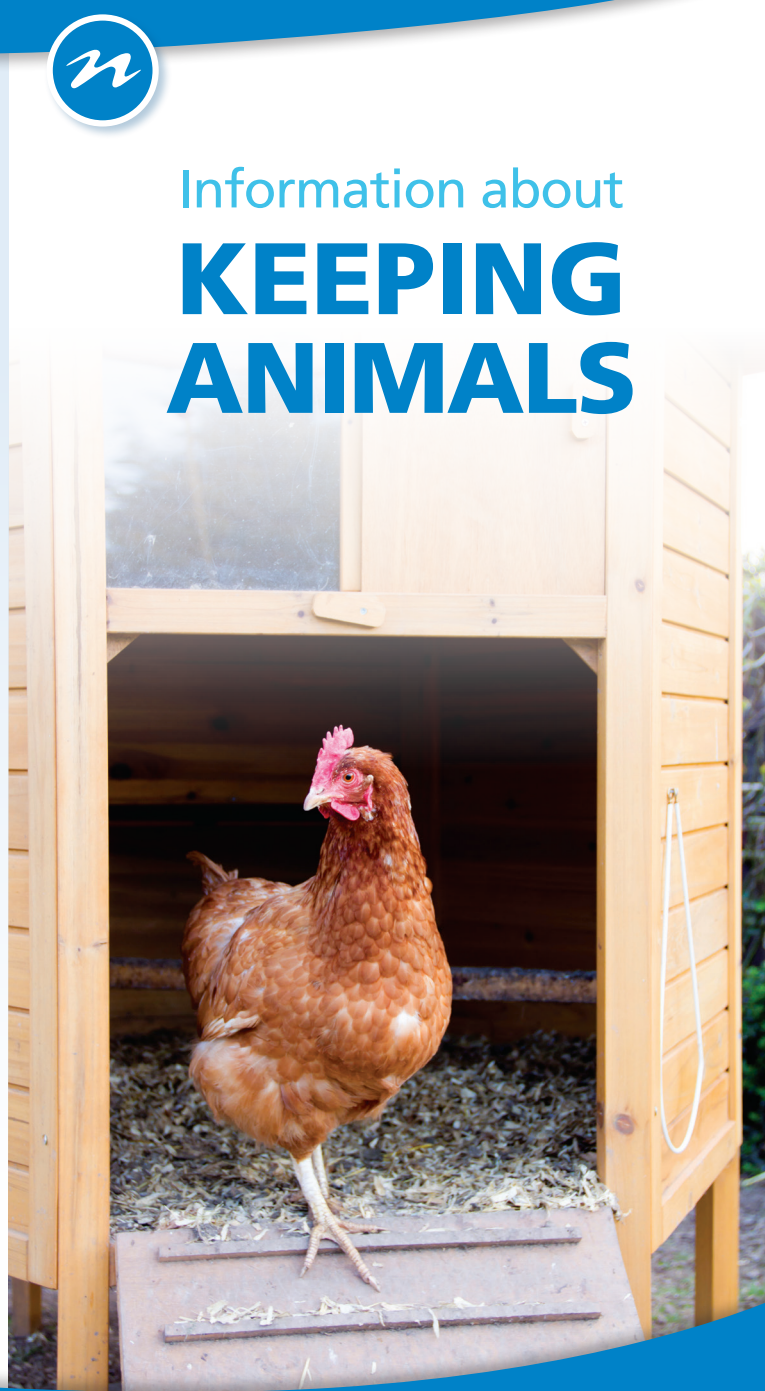
Information about **KEEPING ANIMALS**

More information

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Nelson City Council's Urban Environments Bylaw helps manage some activities in our city with the overall aim to keep Nelson a great place to live, work and play.

A key aspect of the bylaw includes the rules around keeping animals.

The Council recognises that keeping animals, including bees and poultry, has benefits for the wellbeing of the owner and members of the household. The aim of these provisions is to promote and maintain public health and safety, and to protect the public from nuisance.

There are no specific limits on beehives, rabbits or cat numbers. However, the Council encourages responsible ownership of all animals. It provides a subsidy to the SPCA to assist with the costs of neutering and spaying cats. Feral cats are managed separately, under the Nelson Tasman Regional Pest Management Strategy.

URBAN ENVIRONMENTS BYLAW

Keeping of animals

Every person keeping or having control of any stock, poultry or pet animals on any land or premises within the City shall ensure that any building or other structure or yard in which they are kept is maintained in a clean and sanitary condition to the satisfaction of the Council, and that noise or odours associated with the animal(s) is as far as practicable confined within the land or premises concerned.

Poultry and roosters

No person shall keep or allow to be kept or to remain on any land within the City, any poultry except in a poultry house or otherwise confined within the owner's property.

No person shall keep more than 12 poultry except with the written permission of the Council and subject to such conditions as the Council may impose.

Poultry houses must be at least five metres from dwellings on neighbouring properties. This excludes garages, and other buildings used for storage.

No person shall keep, or allow to be kept, a rooster on any land or premises within an urban zone of the City.

Stock

No person shall keep stock on any properties within an urban zone of the City, except pursuant to a Council permit and subject to such conditions as the Council may see fit to impose.

Every person keeping any stock anywhere in the City shall ensure such stock is effectively confined on that property on which the stock is kept, except at such time when it is under the direct and continual control of the owner.

All fencing used to confine stock must meet the requirements of the Fencing Act 1978.

