

**The Corporation of the Township of Guelph/Eramosa**

**By-law Number 05/2025**

**A By-law to amend  
Township of Guelph/Eramosa Zoning By-law 40/2016  
Entirety of the Township of Guelph/Eramosa**

**WHEREAS** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Guelph/Eramosa deems it expedient to enact this By-law to amend Zoning By-law Number 40/2016;

**AND WHEREAS** Council is empowered to enact this By-law under the authority of Section 34 of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter P. 13, as amended;

**NOW THEREFORE** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Guelph/Eramosa hereby enacts as follows:

1. That Zoning By-law Number 40/2016 is hereby amended as follows:
  - a) That Section 3 – Definitions, “Livestock Facility”, is amended by adding “**but does not include a *domestic poultry coop* as defined in By-law 05/2025**” after the word *anerobic digesters*.
  - b) That Section 3 – Definitions is amended by adding the following new definition in alphabetical order:

“ **“Domestic Poultry Coop”**, means a *building and/or structure* that is a maximum of 10m<sup>2</sup> in size and *accessory* to a *main, detached dwelling* in the Agricultural (A) and Rural Residential (RR) Zone and used for the housing, keeping, and/or raising of domestic poultry, as defined in, and subject to, By-law 05/2025, A By-law to Regulate the Keeping of Domestic Poultry within the Township of Guelph/Eramosa, and the applicable provisions of this By-law.”

- b) That Section 4 - General Provisions be amended by adding the following new provision:

**4.33 Domestic Poultry Regulations**

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this By-law, within the Agricultural (A) and Rural Residential (RR) Zone, a *domestic poultry coop* may be permitted subject to the following regulations:

1. The *minimum lot area* shall be 0.4 ha (1 ac).
2. Any *building and/or structure* related to housing, keeping and/or raising of domestic poultry and their manure shall not cumulatively exceed an area of 10m<sup>2</sup>.
3. The provisions under Section 4.2 Accessory Uses are applicable, except where it conflicts with any regulations identified in By-law 05/2025, as amended.
4. MDS shall not be applicable.

5. The use shall meet all provisions identified in By-law 05/2025, as amended.

2. All other applicable provisions of By-law 40/2016 shall continue to apply to the lands affected by this amendment.

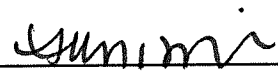
3. That this By-law shall become effective from the date of passing hereof.

READ three times and finally passed

this 13th day of January, 2025.



Chris White, Mayor



Amanda Knight, Clerk

## THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF GUELPH/ERAMOSIA

### EXPLANATION OF BY-LAW #05-2025

By-law Number 05-2025 amends the Township of Guelph/Eramosa Zoning By-law 40/2016 by amending the definition of "Livestock Facility", adding a new definition for "Domestic Poultry Coop", and adding a new general provision – Section 4.33 Domestic Poultry Regulations.

The purpose of the proposed Zoning By-law amendment is to permit a Domestic Poultry Coop as an accessory use to the main dwelling on lots not less than 0.4 ha (1 ac) within the Agricultural (A) and Rural Residential (RR) Zone.

The general provisions include establishing a cumulative, overall area of 10 m<sup>2</sup> for the domestic poultry coop and manure storage to align with the Minimum Distance Separation (MDS) Document (Publication 853), which identifies MDS I and II is not applicable for an area of 10m<sup>2</sup> or less.

For the purpose of clarity, all terms, including those both bolded and italicized, that are also listed in Section 3 – Definitions are subject to the corresponding definitions.