



## Three steps to getting rid of your Canada geese problem

It is important to start your Canada geese control program in early spring to get rid of the geese prior to nesting season. This will greatly reduce your population before they become a bigger problem with nesting and their aggressive nature.

Geese are creatures of habit, and will come back to the same location year after year for nesting. So what starts off as a lovely couple of Canada geese on your pond, quickly swells into 50 to 100. And with geese come geese droppings. Here are some tips you can take this spring to help alleviate the geese problems.



**Step 1: Do not feed the geese.** Feeding waterfowl and other birds is a popular pastime for many people, but it is also a major cause of high urban bird populations. Feeding waterfowl encourages them to congregate in an area and may make geese more aggressive toward people. It is also not healthy for the geese. Put up signs to educate and discourage feeding. [Ohio Geese Control can supply your property with outdoor signs, just contact us.](#)

**Step 2: Modify landscape.** People enjoy manicured lawns, and unfortunately, so do the geese. Modifying the landscape around ponds and grassy areas can make the property less attractive to the geese. Limiting the use of fertilizer and watering less is a good start, but letting grassy areas grow up around the ponds (18" tall) and planting tall shrubs will make the geese feel less secure. Our experts at Ohio Geese Control can provide you tips on [landscape modification](#) that can meet your properties needs.

**Step 3: Begin harassment programs.** It is important to start [harassment programs](#) as early as possible in the spring, preferably February when the geese are just starting to pair up and migratory ones are coming back. [Border collies](#) are the most effective way to instill the fear of a predator at your location. You may combine this with other visual scare devices, but the skilled Border collie will still have the biggest impact. Other scare devices include the use of sound, lights or decoys. These have varying success rates and the implementation of these depend on your budget, overall goals and landscape of the property.

For more information and [a free site visit](#) for initial consultation and dog demonstration, [contact us](#) or call 1-877-914-3373.

We want to create a healthier and happier environment by humanely managing migratory bird populations so you can enjoy the outdoor, again.