

# Deep Cleaning Chicken Village

### **Important Reminders:**

- BEFORE taking any tools from the shop to the yards, soak them in buckets of Rescue for 10 minutes. All other items (except towels) need to stay outside the yard.
- Please do not remove any medications or ointments.
- Please leave food bowls as you found them.
- Crack any eggs on the ground **outside** for the birds to eat (they are yummy treats and the hens get some calcium back!).
- When you are done, dirty towels should be put in cleaning bucket and brought directly to dirty laundry bin in People Barn.

# Equipment & Supplies Needed:

- From People Barn
  - o Simple Green
  - o 6-8 hand towels
  - 5-gallon bucket for each person (Found behind People Barn)
- From Shop
  - Scrub brush for each person
  - Green scouring pad for each person
  - Gloves

### Instructions:

## Important!! Scrub shoes and spray clothes before entering.

- 1. There are 2 barns in Chicken Village, Rosy's Roost and Everson's Lodge, right next to each other.
- 2. **Remove everything from the stall with shavings, out into the room**, except the waterers, which will go outside by the faucet.
- **3. Dust and remove cobwebs. Brooms will work for this.** Get up as high as you can. Check windows, light fixtures, corners, and crevices. Using the broom, sweep the chain link to remove the dust.
- **4. Strip the stall of all shavings, shoveling into the garbage can.** Dump the spent food bucket in the garbage can as well (found in the yellow kitty litter bucket next to the feed can).
- 5. Using Simple Green solution (2 "glugs" to ½ bucket of water) and a scrub brush, get all dirt and fecal material off all surfaces (perches, walls, flooring, nesting boxes). As water accumulates on the floor, clean up with a towel. If you do this as you go, the floor will be drier when you put down new shavings.
- **6. Using Simple Green and a towel,** wipe down any other surfaces that don't need scrubbing (ledges, window sills, stored equipment), but have accumulated dust.
- 7. **Sweep and dust the rest of the barn.** Move the Brown Storage Bin to sweep behind and underneath. Clean inside of bin, if needed.
- **8. Move garbage can with collected shavings** to the airlock by the road. The caregiver will pick it up when they are able.
- **9. Spread new shavings, found in white bags** in the open room area. A depth of 1" in needed for these birds. NESTING BOXES need 3-4 inches the girls like it cushy!
- **10. Scrub the waterers** and fill with fresh water from the faucet. Return to stall, putting them where you found them.
- **11. Put bowl with oyster shell and any food bowls** back in the stall where you found them. See the reference photo posted in the barn.



**12. Use the rake to rake the yards.** Smooth out the yard surface, paying particular attention along the fence line. Fill in any holes the chickens have made. Please rake the yard, even if the birds don't currently have access to the area.



- **13. Dump the used Simple Green solution at the edge of the road.** Gather up used towels and put in the bucket, keeping them contained until you can get them directly to the dirty laundry container in the People Barn.
- **14.** Radio the caregiver you are finished so they can empty the garbage cans.
- **15. Gather and return tools** to the Shop and the People Barn.
- 16. Spend time with some animals!!!

Important!! Scrub shoes and spray clothes when leaving.

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