

Deep Cleaning WATERFOWL SOP

Important Reminders:

- BEFORE taking any tools into 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 finished, dirty towels should be put in the cleaning bucket and brought directly to dirty laundry bin in People Barn.

Equipment & Supplies Needed:

- From People Barn
 - o Simple Green
 - o 8-10 hand towels
 - 5-gallon bucket for each person (Found behind People Barn)
- From Shop
 - Scrub brush for each person
 - o Green scouring pad for each person
 - Gloves



Equipment and items needed, available at the Quack Shack:

- Regular brooms
- Shovels
- Push broom
- Hose at water faucet
- Kubota (A caregiver, Karen or Jen will make sure it's ready for you)
- Shavings: 2+ bags needed
- Garbage Can

Instructions

Important!! Scrub shoes and spray clothes before entering.

- 1. **Empty the stalls of all loose items.** This includes water buckets and spill containers they sit in. Bring them outside to the water faucet. Bowls with oyster shells should be cleaned and refilled with ¼ cup oyster shells (found in the area with the feed can).
- 2. **Knock down cobwebs and remove dust from overhead heaters** as well as the light fixtures, corners, walls, doors, etc.
- 3. **Strip barn of all shavings. Use garbage cans to collect.** Be careful to remove shavings from the corners of the stalls and behind the stall doors. Deposit shavings in the back of the Kubota.
- 4. **Using dilute Simple Green mixture, scrub feces and dirt from floor, doors and walls.** Start by wetting all dirty surfaces, then go back and use the green scouring pad to remove soil. Use towels to mop up cleaner from the floor so it has time to dry before you put down fresh shavings.
- 5. With clean Simple Green mixture and towel, wipe down surface on top of the stall half wall. Again, make sure there is no standing water on the floor.
- 6. Replenish barn with clean shavings. Cover entire floor with about a ½ 1 inch layer (~2 ¼ bags for the whole barn). Refer to the stall instructions posted in each stall for how many nests to create (2 inch layer with a border).



- 7. Scrub out waterers and spill boxes and refill. Ensure there is no mildew buildup in crevices.
- **8.** Replace waterers in their assigned locations (see pictures for proper locations). All indoor waterers rest inside spill boxes.





9. **Empty left-over feed bucket** (cat litter bucket found in food storage stall). Dump in the back of the Kubota and return empty container to its original spot.



- 10. Sweep front door ramp and area by the shavings bags.
- **11. Clean outdoor feed station**. Spray down with hose and scrub. Make sure food bowl is out of the way so it doesn't get wet.
- 12. Radio caregiver when finished so they can get the Kubota back in service.
- **13. Empty the buckets** of Simple Green along the fence line. Put all dirty towels in empty bucket and bring them to the dirty laundry bin in the People Barn (we don't want dirty towels from the bird yard touching anything between the yard and the laundry area).
- 14. Enrichment! Please check the enrichment calendar and be sure to log any activities.

Important!! Scrub shoes and spray clothes when leaving.

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