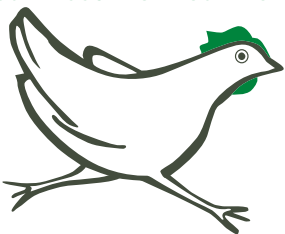


# Cleaning (Summer)

**Supplies** can be found on the shelf inside the coop (face masks, gloves, paint scrapers, broom, rake, bedding material, etc), and in the old coop (new straw). The shelf can be accessed by unfastening the bungee cord in the top middle and sliding the tarp to the side. Please notify Jeff if any supplies are low after the cleaning.

1. Move everything on the floor of the coop (food barrel, bucket, etc) outside the coop.
2. Open the cleaning hatch and place a plastic bin beneath the opening (outside).
3. Scrape and remove old poop from the coop surfaces: tops of nesting boxes, roosting bars, etc. The metal bucket can be used for this. Empty the bucket into the compost pile.
4. If needed, unlatch the front of the nesting boxes and brush out the old bedding onto the floor or into a plastic tub. This will only be necessary if the boxes contain old poop.
5. Add bedding material to the nesting boxes to a depth of 1” or so. (Do not overfill.)
6. Rake and sweep all the old straw, bedding, and poop through the hatch and into the plastic bin. Scrape off any debris attached to the floor and remove that, as well.
7. Dump the plastic bin’s contents into the compost pile in the corner of the yard. You may also spread some of this material outside the hatches, to provide ground cover.
8. Empty the water troughs (inside and outside) using the big sponge and bucket. Clean them thoroughly with the sponge. Wipe off the coop surfaces (top of nesting boxes, roosting bars, etc) using the wet sponge. Refill with fresh water from the rain barrels.
9. Place half a bale of straw on the floor of the coop, except for the area just inside the human door. Spread the straw out – you will have immediate help from the chickens.
10. Return all cleaning supplies to the shelf. You have made the hens very happy!

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