

Top 4

biosecurity tips during an outbreak



- Do not allow visitors into your coop



- Use dedicated clothing and shoes when entering the chicken area (e.g. coop, coop run)



- Keep birds in confined housing with solid tops and floors



- Monitor your birds for abnormal symptoms




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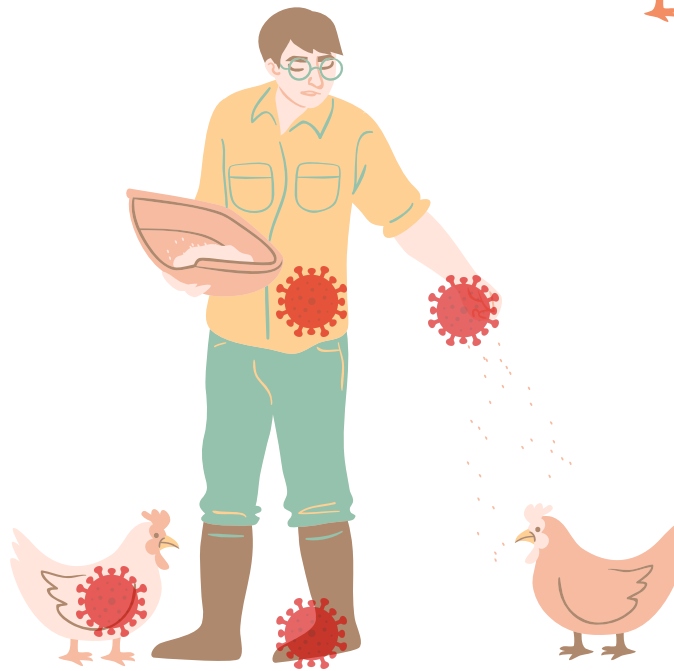
Do not allow visitors into your coop especially if they also own chickens.



 = germ (For example, Bird Flu aka Avian Influenza)



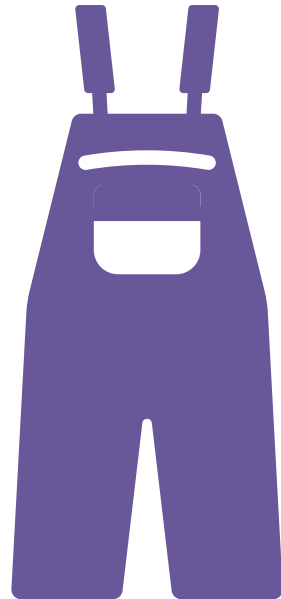
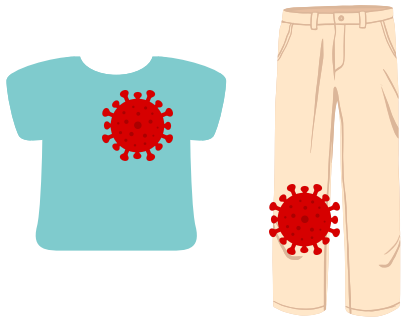
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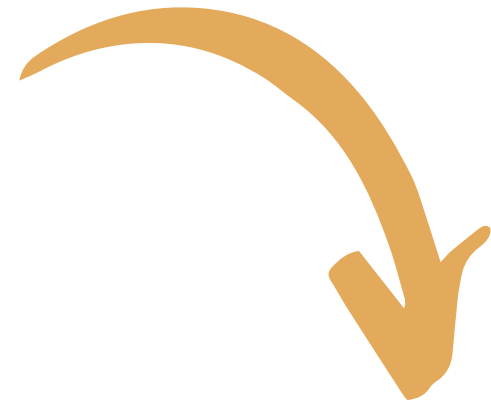
Clothing and shoes can carry germs into your coop. Please note items may appear clean but be contaminated.




Use dedicated clothing and shoes when entering the chicken area to avoid tracking in germs.



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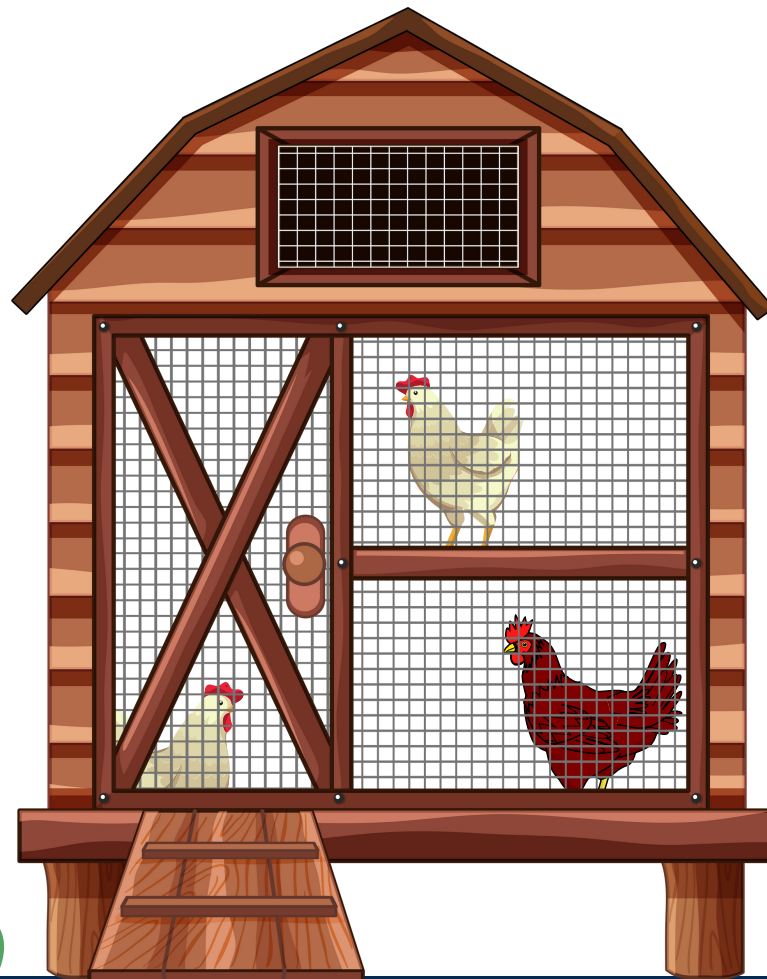
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There are lots of ways we can interact with other chicken owners. Going to the same feed store is one example.



Keep birds in confined housing with solid tops and floors.

A big plus about this tip is that your chickens will also be more protected against predators.



Wildlife can carry diseases without showing signs of illness. So it is best to prevent your birds from interacting with wildlife even if wildlife appear healthy.



Monitor your birds for abnormal symptoms.

Symptoms to look out for include:

- Inflamed heads
- Trouble breathing
- Diarrhea
- Lethargic or droopy
- Eating or drinking less
- Sudden death



Examine your birds at least once a week.



Example of a lethargic or droopy bird.



If you think your birds are sick please immediately call the California Department of Food and Agriculture's **Sick Bird Hotline at: 1-866-922-BIRD (2473).**