

LILY'S CHICKEN YARD

CHICKEN TIPS: CARE FOR YOUR NEW CHICKEN

Thank you for supporting us. Please follow this guide to insure that your new chicken is happy and healthy. This is only a guide and does not guarantee your chicken from discerning health issues.

1. When you receive your chicken, it will probably be very stressed from its trip. Gently handle them.
2. Your chicken will probably be very thirsty. **DO NOT ALLOW THEM TO DRINK A LARGE AMOUNT OF WATER IN A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME.** A slow progression of clean water should be provided. Allow them to slowly sip a few drinks here and there.
3. Make sure that you have a clean cage for your chicken.
4. **DO NOT ALLOW THEM TO ROAM FREE OR PECK AT ANY DIRT.**
5. You should slowly introduce a handful of dirt from where your chicken will be kept into a holding pen for your chicken to peck at. Your chicken needs to acclimate to the new bacteria in your area slowly.
6. Feed your chicken only clean feed. We use corn (cracked and whole) as a general feed and provide vegetables, fruits and commercial feed as a protein and fiber supplement. **DO NOT JUST FILL A BUCKET WITH FOOD AND LEAVE IT FOR DAYS TO WEEKS ON IN. FEEDS WILL BECOME SPOILED.**
7. Make sure your holding pen is large enough for your chicken.
8. Perches should not be higher than 1-2 feet for certain type of chickens. Adjust as necessary.
9. Make sure that your chicken is safe from predators. (Dogs, cats, foxes, coyotes, and other aggressive chickens or birds)
10. Happy chicken raising.

EGG CARE

Thank you for support us. This is a general guide to care for your new eggs. This is not an inclusive guide.

1. There is never a guarantee for eggs to hatch after shipping. This is due to the handling of the eggs during transit.
2. If the eggs were handled roughly during transit, there is a possibility that no eggs will hatch at all.
3. **NEVER WASH YOUR EGGS.** Doing so will allow bacteria to enter the egg and affect the hatch rate.
4. You should always wash your hands with soap prior to and after handling any eggs. Oil and debris from your hands will affect the hatch rate.
5. When you receive your new eggs, open the package and carefully inspect all the eggs for damages.
6. Throw away cracked or broken eggs. We inspect all eggs prior to shipping.
7. **DO NOT IMMEDIATELY PUT THE EGGS INTO AN INCUBATOR.** Let the eggs acclimate to room temperature prior to placing them into an incubator.
8. Use your own incubating procedures as temperature and humidity differs in areas.
9. Rule of thumb; when chicks hatches, they should be stored in a brooding box/pen with a temperature of 95 degrees and lowered 4-5 degrees every weeks thereafter to around 80 degrees. We let ours out after about 12 weeks old.
10. Always provide clean water and feed for chicks. Water container should be cleaned and changed every day. Chick feeds should be change/clean out weekly.
11. Vigilantly maintaining a clean environment will help your chickens/chicks be happy and healthy.

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