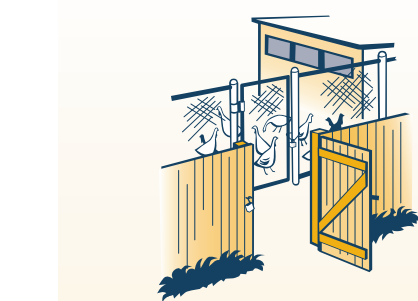




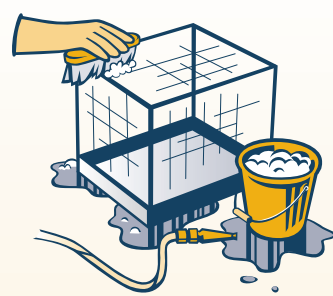
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## How To Keep Poultry Diseases Away



### 1 Keep Your Distance

- Restrict access to your property and birds.
- Fence off your birds and keep gates or buildings locked.
- Keep game birds and migratory waterfowl away from your flock.



### 2 Keep It Clean

- When working with your birds, wear clean clothes and wash your hands.
- Clean cages and change water daily.
- Disinfect all tools and equipment.



### 3 Keep It Away

- Don't borrow tools or cages.
- Clean and disinfect your truck or car if you traveled where there were birds.
- When you get home, change your clothes immediately.
- Keep new birds separate from your flock for at least 3 weeks.



### 4 Don't Borrow Disease from Your Neighbors

- Don't share garden tools or poultry supplies.
- Disinfect shared equipment before it reaches your property.



### 5 Look for Signs of Disease

- Know the warning signs of infectious bird diseases.
- Look for sudden bird deaths and dramatic decreases in food consumption or egg production.
- You can find the signs of avian influenza and exotic Newcastle disease at <http://healthybirds.aphis.usda.gov/>.



### 6 Report Sick Birds

- Don't wait. Report sick birds at the very first sign of trouble.
- Call your local cooperative extension agent, your veterinarian, the State Veterinarian or State animal/poultry diagnostic laboratory, or this USDA number toll-free:

**1-866-536-7593**

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