

HOW TO CLEAN AND DISINFECT (C&D)

Effective C&D is essential to protect animals from disease. Follow these steps for best results.

CLEAN



1. REMOVE ORGANIC MATTER FROM SURFACES.

Organic matter, such as manure, bedding, dirt, and body fluids can “hide” organisms and inactivate disinfectants. This is an important step!

2. WASH THE AREA OR ITEM WITH WATER AND DETERGENT.

Use brushes to scrub surfaces. Pay special attention to corners or crevices.

3. RINSE SURFACES THOROUGHLY TO REMOVE ANY DETERGENT RESIDUE.

Soaps and detergents can inactivate some disinfectants.

4. ALLOW THE AREA OR ITEM TO DRY.

Excess water can dilute the disinfectant.

DISINFECT



5. APPLY AN APPROPRIATE, EFFECTIVE DISINFECTANT TO SURFACES.

Only use EPA-registered products at appropriate concentrations. Don't forget corners, cracks or crevices.

6. ALLOW THE PROPER CONTACT TIME!

Disinfection is not instantaneous! The process needs time to work. Surfaces must remain wet for the full contact time listed on the product label.

7. RINSE SURFACES THOROUGHLY TO REMOVE THE DISINFECTANT.

Most disinfectants can be harmful to animals or damage some surfaces. Rinse feed and water areas well, before allowing animal access.

8. ALLOW THE AREA OR ITEM TO DRY COMPLETELY.

Do not use the area or item during the drying time.

DON'T FORGET THE C&D TOOLS!

Clean and disinfect any equipment or items used during the C&D process.
Dispose of or store unused disinfectant solutions according to label directions.