

Chicken coop floor choice / one-page comparison

1. Supporting base → 2. Optional protection or tray → 3. Replaceable bedding. A liner and bedding do not replace the base or repair a damaged lower boundary.

Existing base	Cleaning method	Drying / hidden moisture	Cost scope to quote
You have a framed wood floor	Start with controlled removal and scraping suited to the finish. Use liquid cleaning only to the extent the complete assembly and product instructions support it.	Pooled water at seams and enclosed edges can be hidden under a liner. Do not reset bedding while the assembly remains wet.	Floor repairs + compatible protection + edge treatment + replacement bedding + disposal. A coating price alone omits most of this scope.
You have an existing concrete slab	Remove waste before scrubbing. Hose-out is a possibility only after confirming drainage, a suitable discharge route and drying of the complete assembly.	Water that collects against timber walls or in low spots is a system problem. A dry-looking center does not establish dry edges.	Condition repairs + any reviewed drainage work + surface treatment if suitable + bedding + removal. Use site quotes instead of a universal per-square-foot price.
You have soil or a run surface	Use a defined waste-removal and replenishment route. Replacing the surface material does not by itself resolve mud or the lower enclosure boundary.	A roof does not exclude ground moisture or wind-driven rain. Observe the site after rainfall before choosing a routine.	Ground preparation + reviewed drainage/enclosure work + surface material + recurring replacement and disposal.

Optional liner/tray: inspect its edges and the base below. Rehearse removing a loaded tray; confirm compatible products and replacement access.

My base / condition: _____ Moisture source: _____

Removal route / method: _____ Product or drainage decision: _____

OSU Extension names concrete slab and solid wood as secure-floor examples. These comparisons explain care and cost scope; they are not tested material rankings.