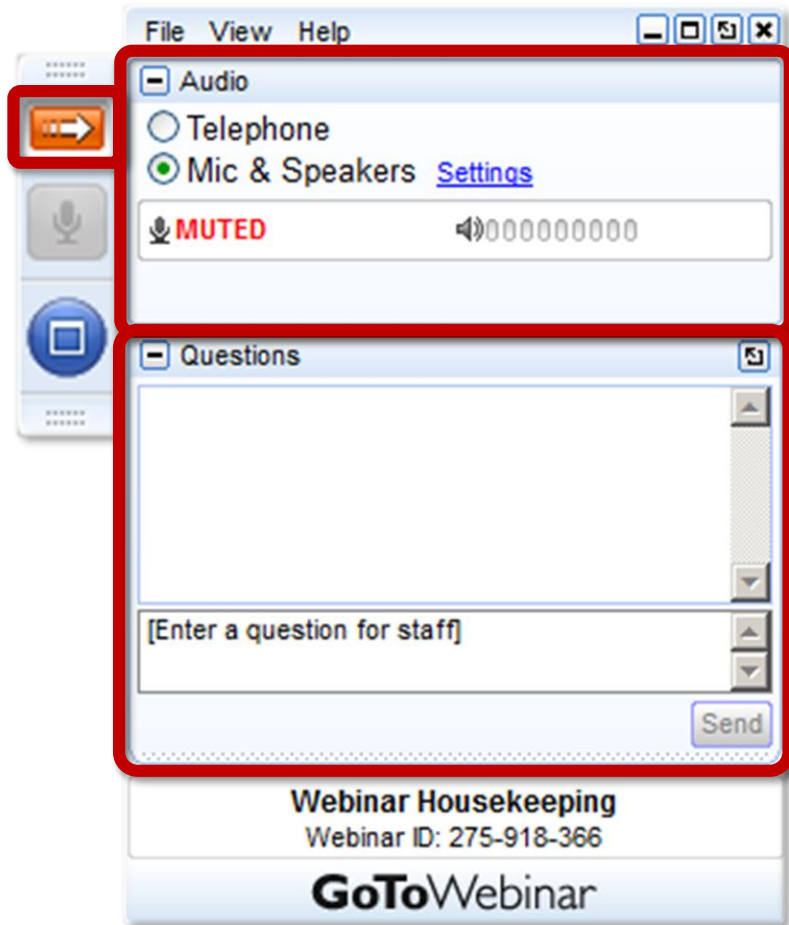


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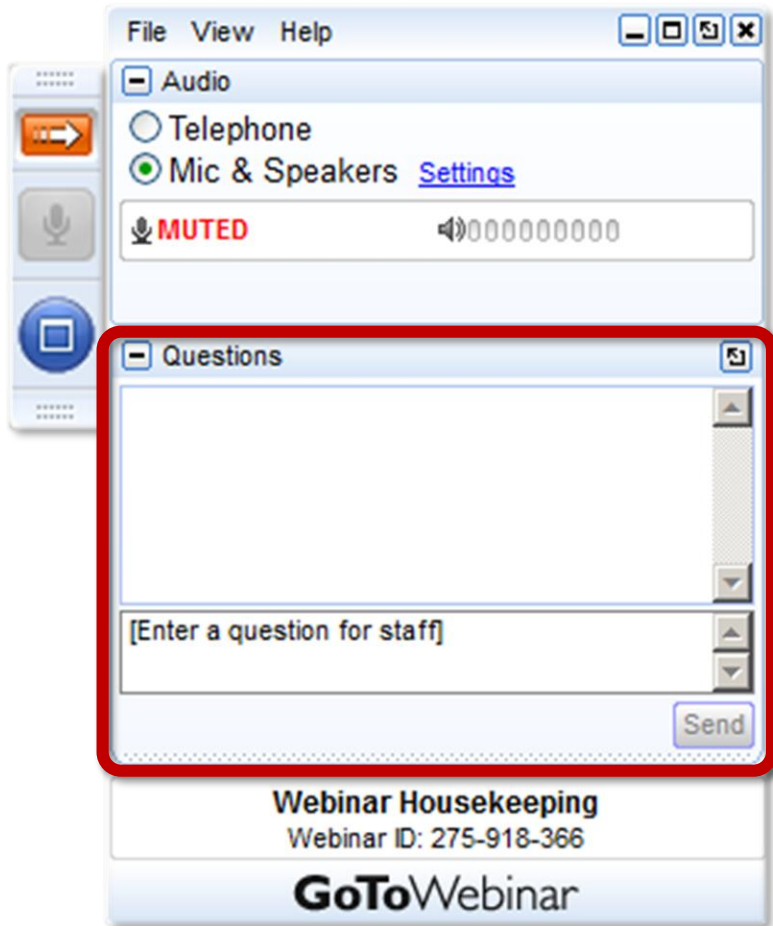
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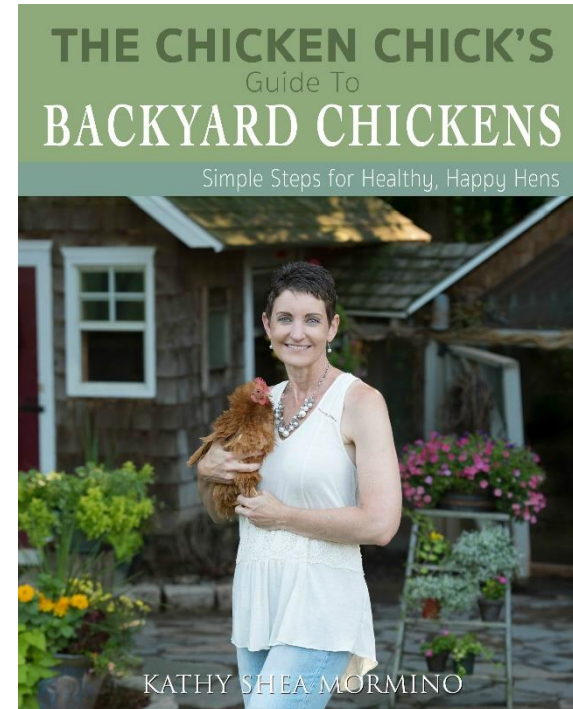
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OUTLINE

- Housing
- Feeding
- Safety



Housing

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CHICK BROODER

- An enclosure that serves as a home for chicks prior to moving to the coop
- Types
 - Puppy play pen
 - Rabbit hutch
 - Kiddie pool
 - Strong cardboard box
 - Needs covering for protection



Provide 2 square ft per chick – they grow rapidly!

BROODER LOCATION

- Draft-free
- Access to electricity
- Room with window



Happy, warm newbies do not
huddle together

BROODER LITTER

- Flooring surface – safe for walking on & absorbent
 - Paper towels or puppy training pads first 5-7 days
 - Never newspaper
- Types
 - Flock Fresh®
 - Pine shavings



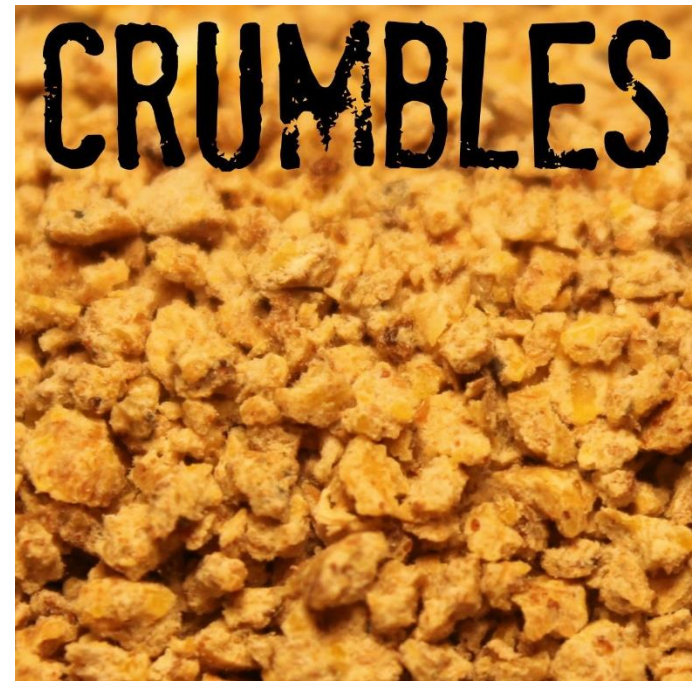
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STARTER FEED

- Provide free access to starter feed at all times
- Starter feed
 - Nutritionally complete
 - Specially prepared for easy digestion without grit
 - If treats are given – grit must be added
 - Feed for 18 weeks or until they start laying – whichever is first
- Medicated & Non-Medicated



MEDICATED STARTER

- Contains amprolium
 - Protects chicks from developing coccidiosis
 - Coccidiosis – common & deadly intestinal disease spread through fecal matter



Chicks given coccidiosis vaccine **should not** be fed medicated starter – as it will kill vaccine

WATER

- Provide free access to clean water at all times
- Upon arrival, gently dip each chick's beak into water to encourage drinking
- For wilted looking chicks, provide vitamins & electrolytes



WATER

- Use traditional or poultry nipple waterer
- Elevate waterer & change often
- Poultry nipple waterer eliminates contaminated water concerns



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KEEPING CHICKS WARM

- Chicken's normal body temperature ranges between 103°F - 107°F
- Brood very young chicks inside
 - At least 50°F
- Watch & listen
 - Chicks huddled together while awake are cold
 - Noisy chicks are unhappy chicks
- Safety first
 - Consider safe heat source



HEAT LAMP

- Most common
- Most dangerous
- Most expensive to power
- Heat lamp clamp can be easily knocked free
- Hanger on heat lamp can easily slip out of reflector



HEAT LAMP ALTERNATIVE

- EcoGlow Brooder

- It's more like mama hen
- No fire hazard
- Uses less electricity
- No disruptive light
- Height can be easily adjusted for growing chicks
- Brooder location more flexible
- Must be used in space with an ambient temperature of 50°F



KEY TAKE-AWAYS

- Provide a **safe brooder location** for easy observation
- Keep brooder **clean & dry**
- When purchasing ‘vaccinated’ chicks, know **which** vaccines they’ve received
- Consider a poultry nipple waterer to ensure clean availability of water **at all times**
- **Safety first!** – consider a safer, radiant heat source

QUESTIONS?

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