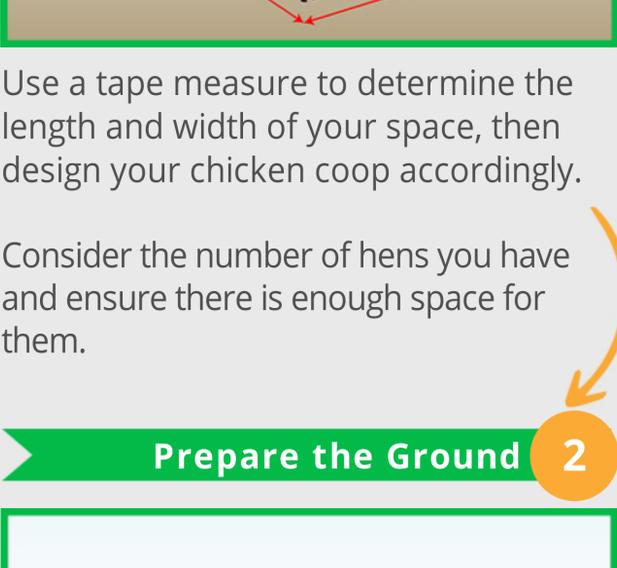


# HOW TO LEVEL GROUND FOR Chicken Coop

## What You'll Need:

- Timber battens (like two-by-fours)
- Wooden stakes
- String
- Sand or gravel
- Protective gloves
- Spirit level
- Hammer
- Drill
- Shovel
- Saw
- Tape measure
- Hand tamper or plate compactor

## 1 Measure Location & Plan



Use a tape measure to determine the length and width of your space, then design your chicken coop accordingly.

Consider the number of hens you have and ensure there is enough space for them.

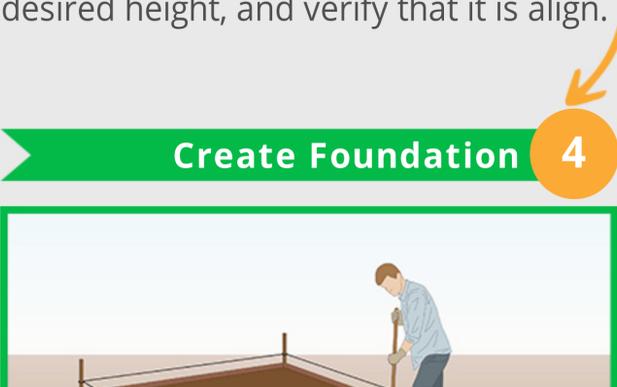
## 2 Prepare the Ground



Remove any plants, grass, and debris from the designated area.

Use a spirit level on a wooden batten to check the area's slope.

## 3 Mark the Area

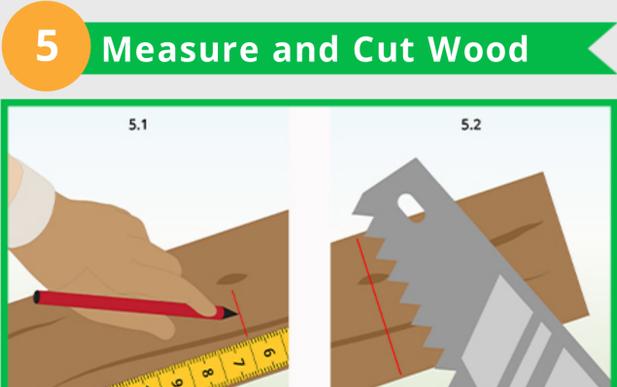


Mark the corners of the space with wooden stakes.

Tie string between the stakes to mark the perimeter of the area.

Make sure the string is taut and at the desired height, and verify that it is align.

## 4 Create Foundation



Dig a sturdy base with a shovel, then even out the ground and fill any gaps.

Creating a foundation is important in the process of how to level ground for chicken coop.

To ensure stability, regularly check that the base remains aligned.

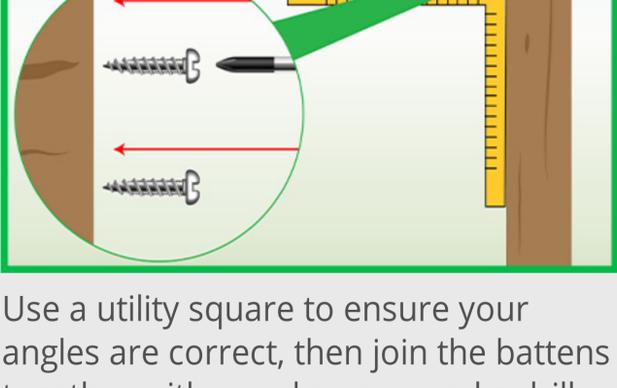
## 5 Measure and Cut Wood



Using your treated timber battens and a tape measure, measure and mark the pieces you need, then cut them to size with a saw.

Remember to wear protective gloves while doing this!

## 6 Add a Wooden Base



Position the treated wood timbers around the perimeter of your area.

Use a spirit level to ensure the timbers are perfectly horizontal.

Adjust by adding or removing soil as necessary.

## 7 Join Timbers



Use a utility square to ensure your angles are correct, then join the battens together with wood screws and a drill.

Check for levelness and adjust by adding or removing soil as necessary.

Once you're satisfied, you can remove the corner stakes and the string.

## 8 Fill with Sand or Gravel



For better drainage and increased stability, cover the aligned area with a layer of sand or gravel.

## 9 Compact Base



Use a hand tamper or plate compactor to thoroughly compact the base course, ensuring it is stable.

## 10 Build Your Chicken Coop



Your base should now be ready, so you can either move or begin constructing your poultry coop.

Don't forget to fill it with natural, organic substrates such as compost, topsoil, untreated mulch, leaves, grass clippings, or wood chips for the chicks.