

Cage Cleaning Schedule for Small Pets

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A clean, dry, hospitable home is paramount to your small pet's health. Be sure your small pet has a spacious, secure, ventilated, chew-proof home containing the basics:

Proper [bedding](#), [food](#) and [water containers](#), [toys](#), [exercisers](#), and [litter box](#) with organic litter like [Kay-Kob](#), if necessary. [Aspen bedding](#) and other natural materials that do not contain irritating oils or preservatives are ideal. Place [cage](#) in a bright, accessible location away from direct sunlight, very young children, and other pets.

Maintaining a clean, comfortable pet home requires minimal time and effort. Following is a typical cleaning schedule:

DAILY:

- Remove wet/mess spots in bedding/litter.
- Change bedding/litter if necessary.
- Wash food bowl and supply fresh food.
- Wash water bottle/bowl and refill.

WEEKLY:

- Remove and replace all bedding and/or litter.
- Wash and disinfect cage bottom and toys. Nontoxic [Cage Cleaner & Deodorizer](#) simplifies cleaning and leaves a fresh scent. As with all cleaners, rinse thoroughly.

Keep your pet safely contained and entertained during cleanings with a [Small Exercise Pen](#).

To further enhance your pet's comfort, add a cozy [hideaway](#). If you use a cage with a mesh bottom, cover a portion of it with fabric or a piece of wood to prevent foot injuries. Plus, if you keep your pet outdoors, be sure to bring him in during the cold months.