



## Field Station Songbird High Clean Training



### Aviary Setup:

- Collect the necessary supplies:
  - Perching devices (rope, branches, or other approved device)
  - Hanging feeders (3-4)
  - Floor food trays (1-2)
  - Floor bird baths (2)
  - Floor Waterer (1-2)
  - Wall feeders (4)
  - Cuttlebone holders (2-4)
  - Bungee cords
  - Zip ties
  - Hanging platforms (2-3)
  - Heating pad
  - Nest boxes
  - Net
  - Approved disinfectant and spray pump, foamer, or bottle
  - Hose
  - Scrub brush and cleaning supplies

Hang up a minimum of 2 approved perching devices (ropes or branches) and tie or zip tie the devices to the hooks on the walls to secure them.

Fill hanging bird feeders with finch seed from the storage container.

- Place the dome shaped cover over each feeder and hang them around the room using bungee cords and/or zip ties.

Fill floor trays with finch seed and place them on the ground.

- Floor feeders allow the birds who are unable to fly the opportunity to feed.

Fill water baths with sink water and add a small branch to each tray.

- The water bath trays should have a small hole drilled along the side to allow overflow water to drain and prevent drowning.
- The branch allows birds to enter and exit the bath without drowning.

Fill the floor waterer with sink water and place it on the floor.

- Avoid placing floor devices under perching equipment to avoid contamination via defecation.

Hang the hanging platforms on the perching equipment using zip ties/bungee cords.

Remove the heating pad from the dirty room by cutting the zip ties and clean with approved disinfectant.

- Once it is clean, take the heating pad to the clean room, reattach with zip ties and plug in to the outlet.

Fill wall feeders with grit and hang them in various locations on the wall.

Add more nest boxes to the wall (if applicable)

### Moving Animals to Clean Aviary:

In the dirty aviary, remove all supplies from the room (trays, feeders, enrichment devices, perching devices, etc.) and place them into a bag or on a cart.

Open the window that connects to the adjacent aviary to allow the birds to fly to the clean side.

Gently hover a lightweight, long branch to move birds through the window.

- Allow the birds to perch on the branch and gently hover the branch near the window to the other room.

