LIVE CHICK CARE

Hatching day

- Do not help chicks as they hatch!
- Leave chicks in incubator until completely dry and fluffy
- Remove discarded shells after chicks are dry and fluffy
- Temperature: 99.5° F
- Humidity: 80%
- Remove dry, fluffy chicks to brooder and dip beaks in water to hydrate chicks (just a quick dip)!

Brooder care

- Clamp on heat light with 75–100 watt bulb (area of 95°F for first week, 90°F for second week, lower by 5°F each following week)
- Water (chick waterer to provide a constant source of clean water)
- Feed tray (shallow or gravity-fed tray to provide constant source of food—we recommend medicated chick starter)
- Bedding (newspaper, sawdust, or straw)
- Digital thermometer to adjust conditions

