



# ChickSafe Eco Door Opener with Door: Installation and Operating Instructions

- \* Important! Install the ChickSafe Eco and attach the door BEFORE installing batteries. Failure to observe this may cause incorrect operation and possible damage. (See page 5).
- \* The ChickSafe is supplied pre-set to be attached to a FULLY OPEN DOOR. Failure to observe this will cause incorrect operation and possible damage. (See page 5).

Please read these instructions carefully before setting up your ChickSafe Eco to achieve best results and keep these instructions safe for future reference.

To register your new Brinsea product and qualify for your free 3 year warranty please visit www.brinsea.com within 30 days of purchase and follow the link on the Brinsea home page. The serial number may be found on the box and inside the battery compartment. Sign up for the Brinsea newsletter to receive the latest news and information.

- \* Warning Risk of injury! Keep fingers clear of moving door and cord. Motor may start without warning.
- If using with an alternative door, ensure the maximum door weight of 8lbs (4kg) is not exceeded as this will cause damage to the motor and invalidate the warranty! Note that wooden doors are heavier when wet.
- \* Please note the maximum door lifting height is 15" (400mm). Do not exceed this as operation will be incorrect and the cord may become detached.
- \* Check the sliding door to make sure it runs smoothly and reliably both upwards and downwards. The ChickSafe uses gravity alone to close the door.
- \* To mount the ChickSafe further away from the door, an additional length of cord may be attached. For helpful information see our ChickSafe 'Frequently Asked Questions' page at www.brinsea.com
- \* This appliance can be used by children aged from 8 years and above and persons with reduced physical, sensory or mental capabilities or lack of experience and knowledge if they have been given supervision or instruction concerning use of the appliance in a safe way and understand the hazards involved. Children shall not play with the appliance. Cleaning and user maintenance shall not be made by children without supervision.



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Peel the protective film from the front of each door panel.

Please note there may be superficial marking on the back of each panel due to the laser cutting process used to ensure the panels are very precisely made. This does not affect the performance or life of the aluminum in any way, or the outward appearance of the finished door.



Fit the grommet (a) to the centre hole in one door panel.



Fit the countersunk screws (b) and nuts (c) to the other door panel. The screws fit through from the back into the countersunk holes.



Tighten each nut by turning the screw with a screwdriver whilst holding the nut with pliers or a wrench.



Fit a plastic rivet (d) to each channel in the hole shown.



Locate the rivet in the hole, then push it in to secure it.



The channels are fitted to the hen house with the rivets at the bottom of each channel, not nearer to the top.



Position the channels on each side of the door hole on the hen house with the hole central between the channels. They must be perfectly vertical, flat and level. The fixing holes must be 12.7" – 12.8" (322mm – 325mm) apart.



Once the channels are vertical and the holes 12.7" – 12.8" (322mm – (325mm) apart, mark the locations for the six fixings. Drill 1/16" (1.5mm) diameter holes.



Fit the channels with the six black wood screws (e).

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Slide the door panel with grommet down the channels.



It must be in the slot nearest to you in each channel.

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Check that the door panels slide up and down easily. They must slide down under their own weight.

The panel with the grommet must lift the other panel as it rises.

If the panels are tight make sure the distance between the channels is correct.

If the channels are not flat, fit washers or similar packing behind the channels at the fixings to correct them.

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be at the front.

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Caution! - Please Note:

channels.

• Use only alkaline AA batteries

Slide the other door panel down the

- Observe correct polarity to prevent leakage or risk of fire
- Do not mix old and new batteries
- Do not use re-chargeable batteries
- Do not use a 9 volt battery
- Remove the batteries if you do not intend to use the ChickSafe Eco for a long period.



It must be in the second slot in each

channel. The screws and nuts must

Raise the sliding door to its fully open position.

Support the door in that position.

Once fitted, the ChickSafe will always open the door to this height. Make sure it is correct.









## **Closing Light Level Adjustment**

Closing light levels at dusk vary with location and direction of installation. The light level that makes the door close may be adjusted:

360 degree turn clockwise to decrease light level (darker).360 degree turn anti-clockwise to increase light level (lighter).(Use a small, flat precision-screwdriver).

Adjust by one turn at a time. The adjustment range from the factory setting is approximately 5 turns darker (clockwise), 15 turns lighter (anti-clockwise). Adjusting further than this range has no effect.

## **Cleaning:**

Disconnect the battery holder before cleaning the ChickSafe Eco.

Keep the battery holder and electrical connections dry at all times.

Do not immerse the ChickSafe Eco in water.

Wipe surfaces clean with a damp cloth and mild detergent as necessary.

## Reset:

If the batteries have been connected before the door is installed, or if the cord has become detached from the door, it may be necessary to reset the system:

- 1. The ChickSafe must be upright in its installed position.
- 2. Disconnect the battery holder connector.
- 3. Wait 1 minute.
- 4. Gently pull the end of the cord down and, while pulling, refit the battery holder connector.
- 5. Maintain tension on the cord. After 10 seconds the cord will be wound out for a second and then start to wind in.
- 6. Keep maintaining tension on the cord all the time until the motor stops.
- 7. Disconnect the battery holder.

The system is now reset to the factory position. Follow the installation instructions from the start to ensure the door opens to the correct position. For helpful information see our ChickSafe 'Frequently Asked Questions' page at www.brinsea.com

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#### **ChickSafe Opener Dimensions:**

Height 5.9" (150mm)

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Depth 3.0" (75mm)

Weight 13oz (375g)

#### **Door Dimensions:**

Height 21.3" (540mm)

Width 13.1" (334mm)

Depth 0.7" (17mm)

Weight 2lbs (910g)

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