



PHEROMONE TRAPS

USE AND PLACEMENT

These traps should be used in areas where the insects are likely to be found. For example, Indian Meal Moth traps should be placed in any area that contains items such as grain products, cereal, nuts, dried fruit, dried flowers, bird seed or pet food. Webbing Clothes Moth traps should be placed in areas that contain items the larvae feed on such as wool, hair, feathers, fur and upholstered furniture (containing natural wool and leather). Any product containing natural fibers is susceptible.

Although there is no exact number of traps that you should use, the staff at Poulin's Pest Control can give you some general guidelines. In small areas, we recommend three to four traps per 1,000 square feet, but in larger areas such as warehouses and retail stores, placing traps every 25-50 feet apart in a grid pattern. This can be increased or decreased based on how closely you want to monitor for these insects. Place traps at eye level.

PLACING THE LURE

The lure should be placed in the bottom of the trap. You do not need to do anything to the lure, such as shaking or breaking it open.

REPLACEMENT

In order to ensure the highest efficiency, it is recommended that the lure be replaced every 60 days. The traps do not require changing unless they are either full of insects (and not catching anymore) or are no longer sticky.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How do pheromone traps work?

- Pheromones are natural compounds that are created in the body of an insect. Insects use pheromones to communicate with each other. Pheromone traps for moths use the female pheromone to attract males, thereby breaking the reproductive cycle.

I am using the traps, but I still see insects. What else can I do?

- Pheromone traps are meant to be used as part of an integrated approach to pest control. Sanitation, inspection and removal of infested material are also necessary parts of an integrated approach.

How long will the lures last if stored unopened?

- If stored in a freezer or refrigerator, all lures should be good for at least two years.