The Stallion Timms Trap is made of tough polyethylene plastic. It is very light and compact.

Trap

The light colour of the trap is an effective lure to the naturally curious possum.

The possum goes straight to the keyhole opening because the bait scent is strongest at this point.

When the possum takes the bait and trips the striker bar, the neck of the animal is forced upwards into the confined upper part of the unique keyhole opening.

The arteries to the brain are compressed and death is effective and quick.

The sensitivity of the trigger action can be adjusted simply by bending the bait rod where it contacts the cross rod.

Bending it toward the front of the trap will make the release action more sensitive.



To bait and set the trap:

Turn the trap upside down and push the bait onto the trigger wire as far as the bend. Place the trap on the ground right way up and push the wire pegs through the holes on either side of the base rim to secure the trap in position. Hold the top of the trap firmly with one hand and pull the nylon cord with the other until you feel the striker bar come down into the set position.

Where to set the trap:

Place the trap on level ground where possums are known to frequent.

Where children and pets frequent, it is advisable to unset the trap each morning and reset it the next night.

To release the trap it is important to keep the tension on the nylon cord with one hand, release the striker bar with the other and then allow the nylon cord to be gradually drawn back inside the trap.

Bait types:

Fruit bait such as apple or orange, or carrot rings are the easiest to use. Ensure that bait is firm and fresh. A small amount of cinnamon on the bait is an effective lure for possums.

The ideal size is a piece of fruit about 2.5cm diameter. If too large or too small, the possum may not be able to set off the trigger mechanism.

To remove a dead possum:

Pull the nylon cord in the same manner as for setting the trap, until you can free the possum. Keep your fingers clear once you have reset the trap.

KEEP FINGERS CLEAR OF THE FRONT OPENING AT ALL TIMES

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