

Fly-Control Techniques

Fly-Control Method	Works against...	When to use	Cautions
Traps	Scent Traps: House flies and Mosquitoes Prism Traps: Stable Flies Horse Pal Traps: Deer flies and Horse Flies	During fly season	Place traps away from the barn to lure pests away from horses
Sticky traps	All flies	During fly season	Use in conjunction with other fly-control methods; these traps are just to catch the ones that make it into the barn.
Fly sheets, masks and mesh leg wraps	All flies	During fly season	These fly barriers are the final line of protection for your horse and should be used in addition to other fly control management techniques.
Fly spray	Stable flies, house flies and mosquitoes	During fly season	Use enough spray to make your horse's entire coat damp.
Feed-through fly control	Stable flies and house flies	Before fly season	All horses on the property must be on this program for it to work.
Parasitic Wasps	Stable flies and house flies	When the temperature rises above 45 degrees	The wasps are not immune to fly repellent; use fly sprays with caution when you are using parasitic wasps.
Composting manure	Stable flies and house flies	Year round	Follow correct composting protocol and keep the compost pile away from the pasture.
Spreading manure	Stable flies and house flies	Summer	Spreading manure only works during sustained hot, dry weather and should only be done if horses are kept off the area for the following 2-3 weeks.