

# Carrot Root Fly Trap



## Directions for use:

### Contents:

Pack of 5/10 sticky inserts (remove release paper once trap is in position)  
1 field pole (2 interlocking sections)  
1 securing clip  
1 fixing clip

Carrot Root Fly (*Psila rosae*) can be a severe pest to Carrot crops. The fly is small measuring 5-8mm in length with a black body and yellow head. They have red eyes and pale yellow legs with clear coloured wings. Eggs are laid in the soil surface around the Carrot plants. Depending on the temperature, these eggs hatch into creamy coloured larvae after about 7 days. The larvae move through the soil to the Carrot plants and start feeding on the roots, eventually burrowing into the Carrot roots forming mines. The first symptoms are a reddening of the Carrot leaves, which start to wilt.

There are normally two generations of Carrot Root fly a year. The first generation appears late April/early May and the second towards late July/August. Carrot Root Fly traps should be in position just prior to these times and throughout these months. The traps will help monitor Carrot root fly populations and reduce the number of egg laying adults by catching them on specially coloured sticky traps, which acts as an attractant.

### Assembly and site of the Carrot Root Fly trap:

Slide the securing spring onto the field pole, the spring will move easily up or down the pole when the arms of the spring are pulled apart slightly. Hang one sticky trap onto the spring by the holes (sticky side down) and secure this to the pole at an angle of 45° with the use of the fixing clip (see illustration on the reverse). The trap should be placed at a height just above the height of the crop, the trap can be raised by sliding the spring up the pole as the crop grows. Replace the traps as required, once Carrot root fly is observed.

### Disposal of the trap

Retain the field pole and clips for use over repeated crops and seasons. Purchase replacement Carrot root fly sticky traps for each crop or season. The traps do not contain toxic materials and can put out with domestic rubbish.



# Assembly Instructions

