

## **Guidelines for installing and using Rollertrap products**

Rollertrap is a continuous roll of yellow, blue, white or transparent polythene film, coated on both sides with Oecotak insect trapping adhesive, giving a large trapping area.

It is intended for use in trapping large numbers of insects, particularly in protected cropping, but will have applications in outdoor crops where dust is not a significant problem. It is designed to offer the most economic method of using sticky traps when comparing available trapping areas.

Oecotak insect trapping adhesive is a non-setting adhesive especially formulated for the trapping of small flying insects. The colours of Rollertrap have been selected as being very attractive to particular insects, which become entangled and held by the adhesive when attempting to land on the trap.

For best results suspend Rollertrap just above crop height or as advised by your technician/crop adviser/consultant.

### Uses

In protected cropping – glasshouses and poly tunnels to trap aphids and white fly

Outside crops e.g. vineyards to trap leafhoppers

Mushroom houses to trap sciarid and phorid flies

### Installation methods – Installation/Application

Short sections can be cut from the rolls with a sharp hobby knife and suspended from a horizontal wire by sticking the plastic film to itself over the wire. It may be helpful to suspend a light weight (clothes pegs are ideal) from the bottom edge to prevent the film from sticking to itself.

Long lengths of Rollertrap (up to and including complete rolls) can be suspended horizontally using the following methods :-

Suspend the Rollertrap film between glasshouse support stanchions or other suitable supports by wrapping the film around the stanchion.



Attach a length of string or thin wire between support stanchions or other suitable supports then hang the Rollertrap film from the string using pegs/paper clips/staples – this is the Oecos recommended hanging method.



Proprietary Rollertrap hanging clips – follow the product instructions (Oecos does not supply these)

#### Precautions

Oecotak adhesive is very sticky, it can be cleaned from hands using a quality proprietary hand cleaner and from surfaces using white spirit. In cold conditions the adhesive is less fluid. It is recommended that the roll is placed in a warm place over night before use. The adhesive is then more fluid enabling the Rollertrap to be unrolled more easily.

It is important to avoid applying too much tension to the film as it is unrolled or while it is suspended as this may weaken the plastic.

If hanging clips are to be used to suspend Rollertrap caution must be taken to avoid applying too much tension to the film while suspending.

Small tears or holes in the film will cause weakness and potentially the film could break at this point.

**Oecos makes no guarantee regarding the performance of Rollertrap if used in any other than the recommended method.**