



# <u>Red Mite Trap / Red Mite Alert System - Application Instructions</u>

# Set of 5 control tubes to trap & detect Red Mites (Dermanyssus gallinae) in birds

#### **Before Application:**

• Establish how many tubes are required: 1-2 tubes per chicken coop is sufficient. If you have several breeding cages with ornamental birds, hang 1 test tube per 5-10 cages

#### **Application:**

- **1.** Secure the tubes, with tie-wraps, under the perch or on the bars of coops where the birds or chickens are located. Place the tubes as close as possible to the birds' sleeping area. The tubes may also be placed within the nests or night shelter of the birds
- 2. Check the cardboard in the tube for red mites weekly. Replace cardboard if necessary
- 3. The number of red mites you find will determine the optimal follow-up strategy

## **Use The Red Mite Trap With Androlis Predators:**

Number of Red Mites	Infestation	Strategy
0	None	Use Androlis every 8 weeks
A small number of Red Mites or a group smaller than a coin	Light	Use Androlis every 4 weeks, single dosage
A group of Red Mites bigger than a coin	Severe	Use Androlis every 4 weeks, double dosage

## **Next Steps:**

 Replace full traps. It is recommended to have active traps all year as the earlier infestations are identified the greater chance control will be achieved

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