

# HOW TO

# TRAP STOATS

This quick guide is for anyone keen to help save New Zealand's native wildlife by setting and managing stoat traps.



## What equipment will I need?

**DOC 150** or **DOC 200** traps.

Make sure you **always wear gloves** when handling your trap or catches.



## Where should I put my stoat traps?

Along **ridges, tracks, roads, and creeks/streams** - basically, anywhere that's easy to reach.

Set them on lines about **1km apart with a trap every 100m** (1km x 100m).

**Put a number on each trap** and keep track of how many you've set, when and where.



## When should I check my traps?

About **12 times a year**. Set and bait/lure traps during each check and make sure the traps are still working.

Maintenance of traps is critical. For details, watch the YouTube video 'How to set up and service a DOC 200 kill trap for conservation'.



## Lures/baits

Serve up some fresh rabbit, hare, possum, Erayz, salted rabbit, freeze-dried rabbit and/or fresh hen eggs.

Lures should be changed regularly (exactly when and how often will depend on where the traps are) and disposed of away from the trap.

For more information or to buy a trap, visit:  
[www.predatorfreenz.org](http://www.predatorfreenz.org)

