

Setting Up a Doc200



Remember

- Always keep your fingers clear of the trap
You want to catch a pest - not yourself!
- Always hold the side of the box firmly with your hand, knee or foot
This stops it moving or tipping suddenly

You will Need

Essential

- Screwdriver – to open the box and do a “soft release”
- Safety clip – to secure the kill bar if needing to clear the trap



Optional

- Rope or webbing - to pull the setting loop
- Tongs – to clear the catch
- Sock – to unset the trap without damaging it

Baiting the Trap

Baits can include

- An egg
- Peanut butter or Nutella on a golf ball
- Dehydrated rabbit



Siting your Doc200

- Choose an area close to where the animal is likely to run – near a track or stream, parallel to a fence line
- Make sure there is visibility through the trap
- Make sure the trap is stable
- Scuff a trail leading to the trap
- Allow time for the trap to naturalise

Safety Catch

Use the safety catch to secure the kill bar when clearing or working on the trap. Ensure that it is seated through the setting loop so that it won't be accidentally knocked off, releasing the kill bar.

Setting the Trap

- Use the screwdriver to open the box
- Swing the lid to the side so that it is supported by the edge of the box
- Put the bait in place, using the nails to hold it
- Hold the box firmly. It can help to place a knee or foot on the edge of the box
- Taking hold of the setting loop, pull it back until the top of the kill bar slides over the Waddington trigger
- Slowly release the pressure, allowing the bottom of the trigger arm to ride up the treadle until it catches on the sear, the small raised piece.
- The trap is now set and the lid can be replaced



Recording your catch

Remember to record your catches and report these to our Facebook page
<https://www.facebook.com/pestfreepauatahanui>

For more Information

Including how to release a set trap
<https://pauatahanui.org.nz/SettingUpaDoc200>