

KC81/82 Magnum 110/116 Bodygrip Trap

The Magnum trap is a body grip type trap for the control of various ground vermin. A trigger operated device, the trap is designed to capture and despatch the animal instantaneously.

SETTING THE TRAP

CAUTION!! THIS IS A VERY POWERFUL TRAP HANDLE WITH EXTREME CARE

- With your strongest hand, squeeze together the spring and flip over the safety catch. The squeezing action can be aided by prizing the frame apart with the other hand at the same time.
- With the frame now open, hold the trap tightly at the bottom of the jaws and move the central trigger along until it hangs freely from the centre of the top of the frame.
- Flip over the three-toothed 'dog' so that it locates with one of its teeth over the central cut-out of the trigger. The three teeth allow various sensitivities of setting- heavy (with the jaws forced fully back), medium and light. The trap is now set.
- When positioning the trap (see below) be careful not to move the trigger with your fingers as this can have painful consequences! The trigger wire shape can be altered by bending gently, but ensure that this is done before the trap is set.

PLACING THE TRAP

- It pays to spend some time observing the animal's movement patterns. This is especially important if you know where they are feeding
- Only ever set the trap in a tunnel (supplied separately) in the burrow overhang or in an area such as a loft space. It is illegal to place these traps in the open. Carefully place the trap as close to the tunnel as possible to the areas that the animal frequents. Set or adjust the trap as described above. Remove any debris that could interfere with the trap's action.
- If necessary, prevent non-target entry by placing guard sticks at the entrance to the tunnel to deny access. Where possible, set the trap so that when the animal approaches the trigger is on the far side. This ensures that the specimen is 'inside' the trap when it goes off; giving a quicker, cleaner kill.
- The trap must always be secured by staking or tethering the chain. A stake through the spring 'eye' can also be used to stabilise the trap, and to hold it in various positions.
- Check trap daily

TIPS OF THE TRADE

As the target species are often very wary, it pays to camouflage the trap with natural materials lying nearby, such as grass, twigs or leaves. Covering with a cloth also helps in some circumstances.

Remember to dispose of carcasses safely.

