



## Tips for Successful Bird Trapping



The ideal bird trap is humane having shade, water and a food pan.

When there are 20 or more pest birds at a job site, trapping may be necessary to get rid of the birds before installing a permanent bird control system. Trapping is often overlooked because it can be time consuming and an unpleasant part of the job. Bird trapping is often extremely necessary and could ultimately determine the success of the overall job. Here are 4 tips on how to successfully trap and remove pest birds from your job site.

***It is important to check with local, state and federal government regulations before starting any bird trapping job. Permits and licenses may be required.***

### What type of bird is a pest bird?

In the United States there are three birds considered pests; the pigeon, house sparrow and starlings.

## 4 Tips to a Successful Bird Trapping Job

1. Determine the bird species that is causing a problem. Know if the species is protected or not as this will determine if you must catch and release.
2. Determine the size of the flock and the size of the areas where the traps will be placed.

### Professional Bird Traps Selection

**Pigeons:** traps are available in different sizes and capacity. Most humane bird traps have a shade cloth, water container and feeder pan. There are also traps available with adjustable legs for use on slanted roofs or flat roofs that have standing water.

**Sparrows:** traps come in different sizes and capacity. Humane traps have shade cloth, along with water container and a feeder pan. For discrete location/placement of sparrow traps use the Sparrow Sky Trap by Bird B Gone®. When placed in higher locations the bottom pan securely conceals the trap from view and will not allow the bait seed to fall onto the ground below. The Sky Sparrow Trap is recommended for use in high public traffic areas like



**New Sparrow Charmer™ helps “charm” sparrows into sparrow traps.**



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Along with the Sky Sparrow Trap, use the Sparrow Charmer™ from Bird B Gone® that uses a proprietary sparrow call; field tested and proven to attract sparrows into the trap.

**3.** Trapping and removal/disposal of birds must be done humanely and in accordance with state and federal laws.

**4.** Pre-baiting is a must for any successful bird-trapping program. One of the most important steps that is often overlooked. Often times the areas where traps are set up is not an areas where birds are used to feeding. In these cases, pre-baiting must be done. By properly pre-baiting your are teaching or training the birds to feed at the location of your traps. Note: Pigeons usually feed mostvigorously right after leaving the roost, early in the morning. Therefore, the pre-bait should be placed before sunup.



**Sky Sparrow Trap by Bird B Gone® is ideal for use in high traffic areas like grocery stores, “big box” stores and warehouses**

### How to properly Pre-Bait a trap:

1. Place traps in proper location with trap doors in the open position. This allows birds to enter and exit trap freely.
2. Place proper bait inside trap along with water.
3. Place bait around out side of trap.
4. Monitor area daily. When birds have begun to eat bait from the feeder pan inside the trap, close the doors and check the traps according to state and federal law. In most cases traps should be checked and birds removed every other day.

For any trapping job to be successful be sure to keep traps clean and filled with ample water and bait/food.

Trapping can be time consuming, but is a vital part of the bird control process. If you feel you need help with bird trapping, give us a call. We can help or recommend a professional trapper in your area. **(800) 392-6915**



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