



Fly Control Management

Flies...they might as well be a four-letter word. Although it is impossible to actually eliminate flies, we can't just throw in the towel. It is our responsibility as cattle producers to practice good stewardship and help our cattle stay comfortable instead of battling these nasty pests, anything less is doing them a disservice. And when we do our job, it is flat out amazing to watch our cows do theirs!

Good fly control programs aren't just a one-prong approach. Combining several of the following management suggestions is the best way to combat flies in late summer.

• Feedthrough Larvicides

You can put a dent in the number of flies on your operation by feeding Altosid® or Clarifyfly®. These products prevent larva from developing into adult biting flies. Reduced fly numbers are generally observed about 3 weeks after being introduced to cattle.

• Limit Environmental Factors

When possible, clean up areas where cattle congregate. Cleaning dry lot pens, proper hay feeder management, and getting rid of unnecessary areas of standing water are good practices. This can be more difficult in pasture settings, but eliminating environmental factors that attract flies can make a big difference.

• Fly Tags

Fly tags are a great option for repelling face flies. Keep in mind when using this tool that they are only effective for about 60 – 90 days. If tags were put in before spring turn out, they will need to be ran back through the chute to put in new tags to be effective July through September.

• Dust Bags, Back Rubs, Oilers

These options can be a cost-effective approach if they are located in areas that all cattle are likely to travel frequently or congregate. Make sure to check these fly control tools often to ensure they are loaded up on insecticide.

• Sprays

There are many fly sprays on the market that are very effective but require frequent application. This is a great option to use during regular pasture checks.




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Cows standing in a corner and stomping flies are not eating, not milking well, giving up pounds of calf, and leaving dollars on the table in the long run. Contact your Countryside Feed representative to discuss developing a well-rounded fly control program.

Face flies

Watch for:		Feeds on:	On-animal prevention:
Flies on the faces of livestock, especially around the eyes and muzzle		Saliva, tears, nasal mucus	Insecticide eartags, pour-on, sprays and dusts


Horn flies

Watch for:		Feeds on:	On-animal prevention:
Flies on the backs, sides, shoulders and belly region of cattle, tail switching, visible irritation, bunching together with the herd		Blood (cattle)	Insecticide eartags, pour-on, sprays and dusts, plus larvicide feed-throughs

House flies

Watch for:		Feeds on:	On-animal prevention:	Environmental prevention:
Constant cattle movement, bunching, tail switching, flies on structures and animals near feed		Manure, leftover feed, waste, sweat, tears	Insecticide eartags, pour-on, sprays and dusts, plus larvicide feed-throughs	Facility insecticide sprays, baits and dusts

Stable flies

Watch for:		Feeds on:	On-animal prevention:	Environmental prevention:
Flies on lower legs of cattle, stomping or bunching, constant cattle movement		Blood (cattle)	Insecticide eartags, pour-on, sprays and dusts, plus larvicide feed-throughs	Facility insecticide sprays, baits and dusts

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CATTLEMEN'S DAY **March 7, 2025**

The 112th Annual Cattlemen's Day at Kansas State University will be held on Friday, March 7, 2025 at the National Guard Armory in Manhattan, Kansas. The event will begin at 8 AM.

Who will speak at Cattlemen's Day?

Allison Van Enennaam: An extension specialist in animal biotechnology and genomics at the University of California-Davis

Glynn Tonsor: An agriculture economics professor at K-State

Dale Woerner: A Texas Tech University Cargill endowed professor

Registration is available online at KSUBeef.org. The cost to attend is \$25 for those who register by Feb. 21 at noon, or \$35 on the day of the event. There is no charge for students who pre-register.



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