



Adult screwworm fly



Screwworm larvae

Look Out for New World Screwworm

Protect your animals. Protect your livelihood.

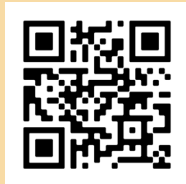
New World screwworm (*Cochliomyia hominivorax*) is a dangerous pest. The larvae feed on the living tissue of warm-blooded animals. Early detection saves animals. **Let's keep New World screwworm out of our herds and communities.**

What to Watch For

- Open wounds that worsen instead of healing
- Unusual animal behavior (restlessness, licking, or biting at wounds)
- Visible maggots in wounds

Scan to Report

Scan for the latest information about New World screwworm or to report a suspect case.



What You Can Do

- Inspect animals regularly for signs of screwworm
- Discuss screwworm prevention, diagnosis, and treatment options with your veterinarian
- Follow all U.S. regulations when importing livestock from screwworm-affected countries
- Report any suspicious cases immediately to your State animal health official or the U.S. Department of Agriculture

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