Starling & Sparrow Trap Instructions

Model STSPEXLG

Extra-large heavy duty starling and sparrow trap capable of capturing 200+ birds at one time. This solid and proven trap measures 60”W X 60”L X 72”H. It is constructed from 1/2 X 1” inch 16 gauge galvanized wire mesh panels with a 1-1/2 x 1-1/2” angle iron frame. Frame comes powder coated to withstand the elements. This trap utilizes the V-top style trapping method which has proven to be the most effective. It includes a walk in entry door.

Watch the 8+ minute instruction video for the XL Sparrow Trap Assembly on YouTube or go to nixalite.com for details.

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1) Identify standard supports (K) and door supports (L). NOTE: There are 6 – 5’ standard supports and 2 – 5’ door supports. The door supports have a J shaped wire rod tab (J-tab) welded to them about 24” from the end to accommodate the cage door upright.

2) Assemble bottom supports. Select 3 standard supports and 1 door support and lay them on the ground in the shape of a square. Be sure the tabs at the ends are on the inside of the square. Secure each corner with a nut and bolt. (figure 2)

3) Determine corner where cage door will be located. This will be the corner with the door support that has the J-tab.

4) Identify uprights. 4 standard door uprights (I) and 1 hinged door upright to accommodate the door (J).

5) Install hinged door upright. Insert hinged door upright into the corner of the door support. The door support has the J-tab. To insert, push the door upright straight down behind the open tabs. If done correctly, the upright will be snugly held in position by the support tabs. Be sure the open tabs in the uprights are pointing up.

6) Install the 3 standard uprights in the remaining corners (I). Insert uprights in the corner support tabs. They should fit snugly when in position.

7) Install remaining standard upright in door support. Locate the door support which has the J-tab. Slide remaining upright (with tabs facing up) into the J-tab and support tab simultaneously. It should be held snugly in position if done correctly.
9) Install top door support. Select the remaining door support with the J-tab (L). Make sure the J-tabs are 24" from the same end on top and bottom door supports. Slide the top support into the open tabs of the three uprights (two corner and one door uprights).

10) Install the 3 remaining top supports (K). Slide them into the open tabs on the three remaining uprights.

11) Secure top supports. Insert nut and bolt in each corner.

12) Secure panels with panel clamps. There are 6 panel clamps (G) required to secure each panel, 2 per side, 1 for the top, and 1 for the bottom. Insert straight end of panel clamp thru cut out in mesh and into hole in support or upright. Then lift up on panel clamp and push loop end thru cutout in mesh and into oblong punch in upright or support. Then push down on panel clamp such that the clamp is tight against the upright or support and the loop is down on the bottom of the oblong hole.
13) **Install top panel support rods (F).** There are 2 of these that are 5’ long with closed loops at each end. From inside the trap, insert each of these completely thru the cage at 5” from the top and 30” from the side.

14) **Place top panels in position.** There are 2 top panels that are 5’x3’. Both have a 1” bent mesh flap attached to it. The bent mesh flaps are designed to hook around the outer edge of the top support. The other side of the top panel should rest on one of the support rods.

15) **Install V-Top Assembly.** Set the V-Top Assembly with the V opening pointing down into the gap between the two top panels. The wings of the v-top assembly should lay on the top panels such that there is no gap on the top.

16) **Secure the V-top in position** by attaching the 6 J-springs to the underside of the top panels. (figure 4). When secure, attach the J-springs located on the underside of the top panels to the side panels.

17) **Secure the support rods with locking rods.** There are 2 “L” shaped locking rods which should be inserted thru the open loops of the support rods. Use the cotter pin to keep lock rods in position.

18) **Install door.** Grab the door making sure the J-springs are not inside the trap. Lift door and insert hinge pins into upper door hinges on the door upright. Align the lower hinge pins into lower hinge on the door upright and insert. After baiting, use the J-springs to secure the door.