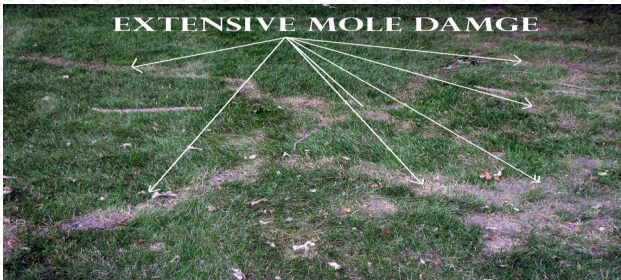




The Mole Guy

“Get Your Yard Back!”

MOLE MYTHS



Myth: “Moles are blind.”— Moles have eyes and can distinguish between day and night.

Myth: “My grandfather told me...” — Home remedies such as pickle juice, castor oil, razor blades, red pepper, explosives, grub control and sonic or vibrating mechanisms have proven to be ineffective. Even harpoon traps are ineffective if used as directed.

Myth: “Stepping on their tunnels will send them away.”— The tunnels near the surface are hunting tunnels. Moles will quickly establish new (or reestablish blocked) tunnels depending on soil conditions.

MOLE FACTS



Fact: Moles are insect eating mammals.

Fact: Moles are 5 1/2 to 8 inches in length weighing 1/2 a pound.

Fact: Moles have litters once a year and produce from 2 to 6 young.

Fact: Moles are active year round.

Fact: A five ounce mole can consume 45-50 lbs of worms and insects a year.

Fact: Moles can dig surface tunnels at a rate of 18 feet per hour and can travel through existing tunnels at a rate of 80 feet per minute.

Trapping Moles is the most effective and practical method of mole control.

Effective trapping requires patience, a general understanding of the characteristics and behaviors of moles, and the use of effective trapping equipment.

“My enemy, my foe, is an animal. So, in order to conquer the animal, I have to learn to think like an animal, and whenever possible, look like one” — Carl Spackler

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“Look who’s moving in!”

VOLES



Also Known As (a.k.a) “The Field Mouse”

Fact: Can cause extensive damage to gardens and lawns.

Fact: Female voles can produce several litters per year with 3 to 5 voles per litter.

Fact: Female voles are able to breed at 3 weeks of age.

Fact: Voles will damage trees and orchards by feeding on the bark.

Fact: Voles are active year round and will occupy homes and structures *if you let them.*

SHREWS



“Certainly a more bloodthirsty animal of its size I never saw .” —Theodore Roosevelt

Fact: Shrews are members of the mammal family *Insectivora.*

Fact: Shrews are one of the few *venomous* mammals in the world.

Fact: Shrews can reach populations of 80 per acre.

Fact: Shrews are active year round.

Fact: Shrews produce 3-4 litters per year with 4-6 shrews per litter.

Fact: Shrews eat earthworms, snails, slugs, mice and *other shrews.*

Fact: Shrews will occupy homes and structures and leave a *strong unpleasant odor (their glands).*

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