Have you got a rabbit problem?

What to look for

Rabbits seek two basic things:

- 1. Short green grass to eat, &
- 2. Somewhere nearby to hide.

Finding where the rabbits are living is an important first step.

- Rabbits leave tell-tale signs such as droppings, dung piles, scratchings in the soil surface, and burrows.
- Rabbit 'sign' is often easiest to find in bare areas such as garden beds or sprayed areas under fence-lines.
- Using a spotlight or powerful torch to look for rabbits at night can help estimate the number of rabbits present and show where they run to hide.
- The key to long-term rabbit control is to remove the places where rabbits are breeding.

Landholders are well placed to inspect their own property for the presence of rabbits.

- Most landholders know their property better than anyone else.
- Affected landholders must take reasonable steps to control rabbits.



↑ Fresh scratchings.





↑ Lots of scratchings.



↑ A large dung-pile (or `buckheap').



↑ Entrance under objects on the ground.



↑ An active burrow - fresh soil, tracks & pills.





↑ A disused burrow.



↑ A rabbit warren.

