



# Protecting Stored Forage

## Uses of High Density Polypropylene Netting

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A wide variety of high-density polypropylene products are now available that offer a quick solution to certain emergency damage situations. These products are relatively strong, lightweight, and are UV stabilized. Heavy duty netting is recommended,



which is available in rolls that are 7'6" high x 164' long. The cost of one roll is approximately \$209.00 (\$1.28/ft, 2010 price). This product is best used to exclude deer from open-ended buildings where feed is stored, as shown in the photos above. Drawbacks to the use of plastic netting include a shorter lifespan as opposed to woven-wire fencing (5 years vs. 25 years respectively); it is easily broken if deer collide into it in an open setting; and rabbits can chew through it, leaving portals for deer to enter from underneath. Lastly, the cost/ft. is higher than woven-wire (\$1.00/ft, 2011 price). Therefore, its use is considered to be temporary, with woven-wire being superior, and providing a more permanent solution. Its greatest advantage is that it is very light weight and easy to handle for emergency situations. While long, 10-12 ft. "t" posts are available, shorter "t" posts can be used by sliding a piece of 1.25" pvc over the post to obtain the desired height. Electrical zip ties can be used to secure to mesh to the posts. Pieces can be spliced together using 1/2" pvc conduit woven through the mesh openings.



Deer collision causes rip in netting.



Flagging makes netting more visible to deer.



## PLASTIC DEER NETTING SOURCES

A variety of materials are available for deer control. One of the most common materials is "stretched" high density polypropylene (HDPP). It is manufactured in Italy for Tenax Corp. and is sold as Cintoflex C, regular duty, and C-flex-P, heavy duty. A similar product is manufactured in Bulgaria and is sold as Deer-A, regular duty, and Deer HD, heavy duty. **When comparing product cost it is important to understand the product line offered.**

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