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Preventing pests and diseases in the greenhouse

## Always check for pests and diseases

Monitoring the crop regularly and routinely enables you to find pests and diseases early. This means you will have more management options available to you.

Do a pest and disease check in every greenhouse at least 2 times per week in summer and once per week in winter. Inspect at least 12 plants per greenhouse and sticky traps.

Set up each greenhouse beforehand and mark check points in your greenhouse to make the job easier. Use pre-prepared charts to make record keeping fast and easy.

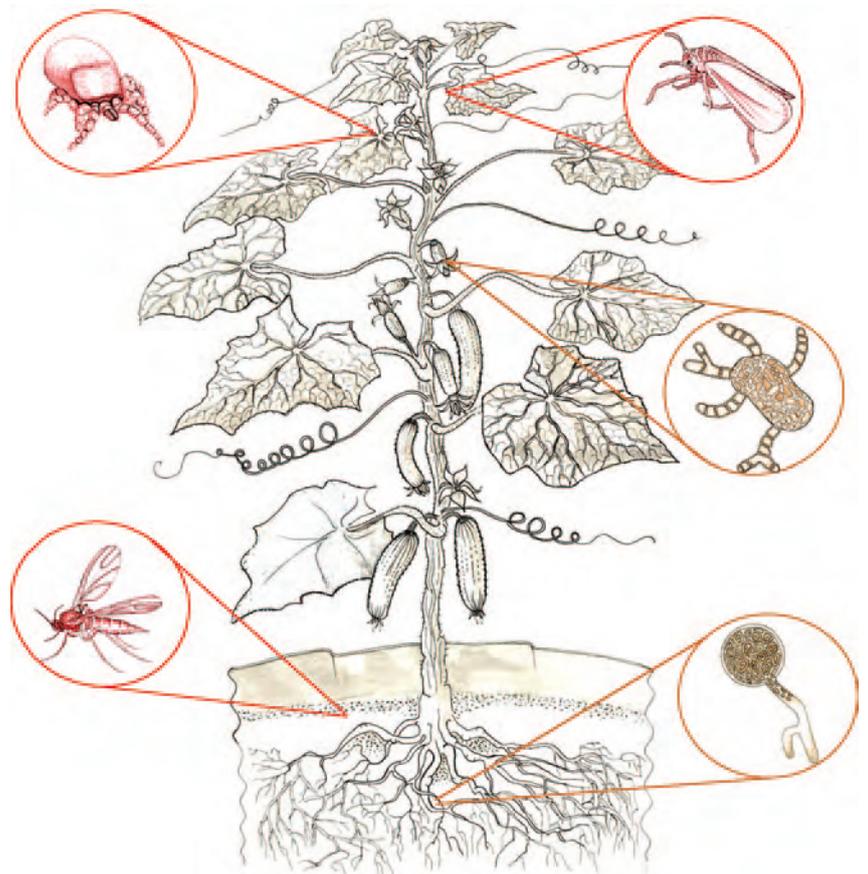
*Checking pest numbers routinely has enabled a grower to reduce his number of spray applications. He now averages 2 less sprays per crop, saving hundreds of dollars.*



Make sure you can correctly identify pests and diseases.



Check routinely and keep records. Use a hand lens and check every part of the plant:



This **Preventing pests and diseases in the greenhouse** fact sheet is part of a series designed to show how simple low cost changes around the greenhouse can significantly reduce costs and losses from pests and diseases.

For more information please refer to the growers' guidelines "Keep it Clean" published by NSW Department of Primary Industries or go online: [www.dpi.nsw.gov.au](http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au)

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