

Cellar- Daddy Long Leg Spider

Size: Adults range from 1/16" to 1/2 " Long

Description:

- Colour is usually pale yellow, light brown to gray.
- Small body in comparison to very long legs.



Biology and Habits: These spiders prefer very humid-damp areas such as basements, crawl spaces, poorly ventilated garages, sheds etc. Their webbing is never cleaned or maintained. They constantly build new webs. Thereby creating the thick webbing often observed in old poorly ventilated basements. Adults live typically about 2 years. Females have up to 3 egg sacs each year, containing approx. 60 eggs each.

Control: Eliminating high humidity and improving good airflow and ventilation will force a good portion of the Cellar Spider population to relocate. Combined with mechanical control methods of vacuuming the webs and basement – crawl space beams will pickup many spiders and egg sacs. Make sure to discard vacuum contents immediately afterwards. Any persistent activity thereafter can be combated with residual spray solutions to repeated identified harborage areas of ongoing new webs.