

Pigeon Diseases and Treatments

Disease	Treatment Strategy	Treatment Method	Treatment Time
Trichomoniasis	Treat before moving birds into the young bird pen. Treat affected individuals only unless many birds are affected	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ronivet-4-Pigeons 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • at weaning • after showing • after racing • first week of each year
Coccidiosis	Prevent re-infection from contaminated faeces. Treatment is performed to reduce the number of organisms, not to eliminate it. (Mild infections stimulate immunity)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wire flooring • Daily cleaning • Coccivet in water 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • second week of each year • before breeding season
Deworming	Prevent re-infection from contaminated faeces. Do worm egg tests on droppings at least once yearly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wire flooring • Regular cleaning • Wormout tablets 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Treat every 3 months • Before breeding season • As needed during race season
External Parasites	Control all lice and flies. There should be no external parasites within the flock	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Insecticide sprays • Avian Insect Liquidator • Cleaning the loft 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yearly monthly or weekly as needed to control pests.
Salmonellosis (Paratyphoid)	Prevent introduction into loft by quarantining birds returning from shows. Prevent re-infection.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Treat loft with AMTYL • Wire flooring • Cleaning litter frequently 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Treat all birds when loft is infected
Pox virus	Vaccinate only if it is a problem in the flock or area. Vaccination is usually not necessary unless birds have lesions or there is mortality in the flock from this disease	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pox vaccine • Mosquito netting • Eliminate pigeon flies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8 weeks before shows and races (if needed)

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