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If it is too hot or cold, Hessian flies remain as maggots inside the flaxseed until the weather moderates.

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Practices contributing to the buildup of the Hessian fly include minimum or no-till farming, as wheat stubble is a primary site where the fly both over winters and over summers. Therefore, as the plant grows, maggots will be found further up the plant, but always behind the leaf sheath just above a stem joint.

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For more detailed information on the biology of the Hessian fly, see KSRE publication MF-1076: Apply granules in seed furrow at planting time. The entire life cycle requires about 35 days at 70 degrees F, but takes longer at cool temperatures because insects are cold-blooded.

Biology and Management of the Hessian Fly in the Southeast

It mainly attacks the stem, although if it is especially hungry it will eat any part of the plant it can find.

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The flaxseed stage persists during the summer until volunteer wheat or early-planted wheat is present.

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