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Redbanded leafroller - *Argyrotaenia velutinana* (Walker)

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Redbanded leafrollers feed on fruit and foliage. Adults start to emerge around green tip; larvae of this generation are present early May to mid-June.

Monitoring: Monitor adult activity with pheromone traps.



Adults have distinct red-brown bands on the forewings that form a V-shape when at rest. Wingspans range from 12-18 mm.



Larvae are green with a green head capsule, and reach about 16 mm at maturity. Larvae that have fed on fruit, develop a yellow tint.



Fruit injury is usually shallow with ragged edges and thick, corky tissue over the damaged area. RBLR is generally controlled with sprays applied for other pests.

Additional information

- For more monitoring information and evaluation of available pesticides:
[Michigan Fruit Management Guide](#)
- [A Practical Guide to Scouting Apple Orchards](#) – a DVD showing how to scout apple orchards.
- [MSU Diagnostic Services](#) for assistance in pest identification.
- [MSU Fruit Crop Advisory Team Alert](#) newsletters for current pest/crop conditions.

This information was developed from [A Pocket Guide for IPM Scouting in Michigan Apples](#) by David Epstein, Larry J. Gut and George W. Sundin. Purchase this in a pocket-sized guide for reference in the orchard from [MSU Extension](#) (publication E-2720).

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