

FOAM APPLICATIONS - CONTROL OF WOOD INFESTING PESTS - ABOVE GROUND TERMITES AND CARPENTER ANTS

General Information

APPLICATION VOLUME

It is recommended that application volumes described in the PREMISE 75 Insecticide \("DIRECTIONS FOR USE\)\" be used whenever possible. However, where soil conditions will not accept application of 4 gallons of PREMISE 75 Insecticide per 10 linear feet, twice the PREMISE concentration may be applied in 2 gallons of solution per 10 linear feet. For example, if 0.05% is the correct use rate to be applied in 4 gallons of water, then 2 gallons of 0.1% dilution may be used per 10 linear feet to deliver an equivalent amount of PREMISE per unit of soil.

CONTROL - GENERAL

Treatment standards for subterranean termite control may vary due to regulations, treatment procedures, soil types, construction practices and other factors. The purpose of chemical soil treatment for termite control is to establish a continuous chemical treated zone (horizontal and/or vertical as needed) between the wood and other cellulose material in the structure and the termite colonies in the soil. Follow all federal, state, and local regulations and treatment standards for protection of a structure from termites. In some instances where an aerial or above ground colony is established, supplemental treatments to control the termites, landscape modifications, and/or structural repairs may be needed to deprive termites of a moisture source. Use a 0.05% to 0.1% dilution based on local recommendations. Generally a 0.05% dilution is used for typical control situations. Where severe or persistent infestations occur, a 0.1% dilution may be used.

RETREATMENT

Retreatment for subterranean termites can only be performed if there is clear evidence of reinfestation or disruption of the treated zone due to construction, excavation, or landscaping and/or evidence of the breakdown of the termiticide treated zone in the soil. These vulnerable or reinfested areas may be retreated in accordance with application techniques described in this product's labeling. The

timing and type of these retreatments will vary, depending on factors such as termite pressure, soil types, soil conditions and other factors which may reduce the effectiveness of the treated zone. Retreatment may be made as either a spot or complete treatment.

When a structure is not known to be reinfested and the treated zone is not disturbed, but where the structure was last treated five or more years ago, retreatment may be performed if, in the judgement of the applicator, it is necessary to ensure adequate protection of the structure. In determining the timing of any retreatment, the applicator should consider efficacy and/or degradation data and/or sitespecific conditions and previous experience that indicate a vulnerability of the structure to termite attack.

Annual retreatment of the structure is prohibited unless there is clear evidence that reinfestation or treated zone disruption has occurred.

GENERAL PRECAUTIONS FOR APPLICATIONS

After treatment, plug and fill all holes drilled in concrete slab areas of the building with a suitable sealant. Do not apply solution until location of heat pipes, ducts, water and sewer lines and electrical conduits are known and identified. Caution must be taken to avoid puncturing and injection into these structural elements.

Do not plant for the purpose of consumption, edible plants into the treated areas of soil.

Avoid contamination of public and private water supplies.

Use anti-backflow equipment or an air gap on filling hoses.

Consult State, Federal, or local authorities for information regarding the approved treatment practices for areas in close proximity to potable water supplies.

Limitations, Restrictions, and Exceptions

FOAM APPLICATIONS

Construction practices, soil subsidence and other factors may create situations in which a continuous chemical treated zone cannot be achieved using conventional treatment alone. In situations where necessary, conventional application methods

can be supplemented through use of foam generating equipment, or similar devices, to provide a continuous treated zone.

Foam application may be made alone or in combination with conventional application methods, provided that the labeled amount of active ingredient per unit area is used.

Foam Application Use Directions: Mix solution of Premise 75 Insecticide In Water Soluble Packets with manufacturer's specified volume of foaming agent (see table for foaming instructions). Apply a sufficient volume of Premise 75 Insecticide In Water Soluble Packets foam alone or in combination with liquid solution to provide a continuous treated zone at the specified rate for specific application sites. Use appropriate dispersion tips and application method for site.

Depending on the circumstances, foam applications may be used alone or in combination with liquid solution applications. Applications may be made behind veneers, piers, chimney bases, into rubble foundations, into block voids or structural voids, wall voids, under slabs, stoops, porches, or to the soil in crawlspaces, and other similar voids.

Foam and liquid applications must be consistent with volume and active ingredient instructions in order to ensure proper application has been made. The volume and amount of active ingredient are essential to an effective treatment. At least 75% of the gallons of Premise 75 Insecticide In Water Soluble Packets must be applied as a typical liquid treatment. The remaining 25% or less gallons are delivered to appropriate locations using a foam application.

When foam is used solely to kill subterranean termites in above ground locations (such as feeding galleries in wooden framing, or in voids with framed walls), and whenever the target pest is other than subterranean termites (drywood termites, beetles, ants, etc.). dilute solutions of Premise 75 Insecticide In Water Soluble Packets may be expanded by foaming without concentrating the Premise 75 Insecticide In Water Soluble Packets solution as previously described for soil applications. Add the manufacturers' specified volume of foaming agent to produce foam of the desired expansion ratio. Use application tips and methods suitable to the site and pest.

CONTROL OF WOOD INFESTING PESTS

For control of above ground termites and carpenter ants in localized areas, apply a 0.05 to 0.1% solution or sufficient volume of Premise 75 Insecticide In Water Soluble Packets foam to voids and galleries in damaged wood, and in spaces between wooden structural members and between the sill plate and foundation where wood is vulnerable. Applications may be made to inaccessible areas by drilling, and then injecting the suspension or foam with a suitable directional injector into the damaged wood or wall voids. Termite carton nests in building voids may be injected with a 0.05 to 0.1% suspension or foam. Multiple injection points to varying depths may be necessary. It is desirable to physically remove carton nest material from building voids when such nests are found. Application to attics, crawl spaces, unfinished basements, or man-made voids may be made with a coarse fan spray of 0.05 to 0.1% solution or foam to control exposed worker and winged reproductive forms of termites or carpenter ants. This type of application is intended to be a supplemental treatment for control of above ground subterranean termites and carpenter ants.

It is recommended to remove or prune away any shrubbery, bushes, and tree branches touching the structure. Vegetation touching the structure may offer a route of entry for ants into the structure. This may allow ants to inhabit the structure without coming in contact with the treatment. If nests are found, direct treatment of Premise 75 Insecticide In Water Soluble Packets can be made to these nests.

Use a 0.05 to 0.1% solution to control existing infestations of or to prevent infestation by termites or carpenter ants in trees, utility poles, fencing and decking materials, landscape timbers and similar non-structural wood-to-soil contacts. If possible, locate the interior infested cavity and inject a 0.05 to 0.1% solution or sufficient volume of Premise 75 Insecticide In Water Soluble Packets foam using an appropriate treatment tool with a splashback guard. These non-structural wood-to-soil contacts may also be treated by applying a solution to the soil as a spot application or continuous treated zone applied as a drench or by rodding around the base of the point(s) of soil contact(s). Rod holes should be placed approximately 3 inches away from the soil contact point(s) and spaced no more than 12 inches along the perimeter of the soil contact(s). For small poles or posts (< 6 inches in diameter),

apply 1 gallon per foot of depth. For larger constructions, apply 4 gallons per 10

linear feet per foot of depth. Retreat as needed to maintain protection. Termite carton nests in trees may be injected with a 0.05 to 0.1% solution or sufficient volume of foam using a pointed injection tool. Multiple injection points to varying depths may be necessary. Removal of carton material from trees is desirable but may not be necessary when foam application is used. In some instances, a perimeter application of a 0.05 to 0.1% solution applied to soil around the root flare of the tree may be necessary to prevent reinfestation by termites in the soil. For small trees (< 6 inches in diameter), apply 1 gallon of solution. For larger trees, apply 4 gallons per 10 linear feet (measured as the circumference at the root flare).

For protection of firewood or other wood products stored in contact with soil from carpenter ants and termites, treat soil prior to stacking with a 0.05 to 0.1% solution at 1 gallon per 10 square feet to prevent infestation. Curative application to the soil around firewood or other wood products stored in contact with soil may be made as described for non-structural wood-to-soil contacts (above).

Method

[Injection](#)

[Spray](#)

Rates

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Timings

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