

# **SUBTERRANEAN TERMITE CONTROL - SAND BARRIER INSTALLATION AND TREATMENT**

General Information

## **DIRECTIONS FOR USE**

Do not apply a broadcast application to interior surfaces of homes.

Do not apply by air.

Do not apply in greenhouses, nurseries.

Do not apply the product through any kind of irrigation system.

Not for use on sod farm turf, golf course turf, or grass grown for seed.

Do not apply to pets, crops, or sources of electricity.

Firewood is not to be treated.

Use only in well-ventilated areas.

During any application to overhead areas of structure, cover surface below with plastic sheeting or similar material except for soil surfaces in crawlspaces.

Do not allow spray to contact food, foodstuffs, food-contacting surfaces or food utensils or water supplies.

Thoroughly wash dishes and food handling utensils with soap and water if they become contaminated by application of the product.

Do not treat areas where food is exposed.

During indoor surface applications do not allow dripping or runoff to occur.

Do not allow contact with treated surfaces by people or pets before spray has dried.

Bifen I/T will not discolor or otherwise harm surfaces that water alone will not discolor or otherwise harm.

Do not apply the product in patient rooms or in any rooms while occupied by the elderly or infirm.

Do not apply Bifen I/T in classrooms, libraries, sports venues, or other institutional facilities when they are occupied.

Bifen I/T may be applied with low-volume application equipment, including Actisol and Micro-Injector, for general surface, spot, crack and crevice, and deep harborage treatments.

Not for use on plants being grown for sale or other commercial use, or for commercial seed production, or for research purposes. For use on plants intended only for aesthetic purposes or climactic modifications and being grown in interior plantscapes, ornamental gardens or parks, or lawns and grounds.

#### APPLICATION DIRECTIONS

Not for use on plants being grown for sale or other commercial use, or for commercial seed production, or for research purposes. For use on plants intended only for aesthetic purposes or climatic modifications and being grown in interior plantscapes, ornamental gardens or parks, or lawn and grounds. Only use the product on plants being grown for aesthetic or climatic purposes and in interior and exterior sites, such as, gardens, parks, lawns, and grounds, and other ornamental sites. Do not use on vegetation intended for sale or other commercial uses. Do not use on plants grown for seed production or research purposes.

Using the product in and around structures and building construction will prevent and control termite infestations.

To institute a barrier between the wood and the termites in the soil, the chemical emulsion must be effectively dispersed in the soil. It is important to remove unnecessary materials that contain cellulose and wood from around foundation walls, crawl spaces (inside of structure), and porches, and fix damaged plumbing and construction grade in order to deny termite access to moisture.

To use the product effectively, it is important that the service technician be familiar with current control practices including trenching, rodding, subslab injection, low-pressure spray applications, coarse fan spraying of soil surfaces, crack and crevice (void) injection, excavated soil treatment and brush and spray applications to

infested or susceptible wood. . Using these techniques correctly is essential to prevent or control infestations by subterranean termite species of genera *Reticulitermes*, *Zootermopsis*, *Coptotermes* and *Heterotermes*. When determining what procedures to follow, the service technician should consider certain variables. Some of the variables to consider are species biology and behavior, structure design, heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) systems, water table, soil type and compaction, grade conditions, and the location and type of domestic water supplies and utilities.

For information concerning the most up to date control practices in a given region or locale, consult the local resources for structural pest control, state cooperative extensions or regulatory agencies.

### General Applications Instructions

Bifen I/T controls a wide range of listed pests on flowers, foliage plants, non-bearing fruit and nut trees, shrubs, and ornamental trees, in interior and exterior plantscapes, such as those in hotels, office buildings, shopping malls, etc., and around athletic fields, homes, institutional buildings, parks, and recreational areas. Non-bearing fruit and nut trees are those that will not produce a harvestable crop during the season of application.

Bifen I/T can be tank-mixed with insect growth regulators and other pesticides. Observe all precautions and Directions for Use for each product. Physical compatibility may vary with different combinations of products, so prepare a small scale (pint or quart jar) test sample for any combination not tested previously. Use proper proportions in the small scale test to achieve the correct result.

Unless otherwise noted in the label instructions, use the procedure below for preparation of a new tank mix:

1. Add wettable powders to tank water.
2. Mix well
3. Add liquids and flowables
4. Mix well

5. Add emulsifiable concentrates

6. Mix well

Try reversing the order of addition or increasing the amount of water if the combination is not compatible using the above order. NOTE: After increasing the amount of water, if the mixture is found to be compatible, it is necessary to recalibrate the sprayer for a higher volume application. Do not allow mixture to stand overnight.

#### Subterranean Termite Control – General Directions

Important: Observe the following precautions to avoid contamination of public and private water supplies:

- Use anti-backflow equipment and procedures to prevent insecticide from being siphoned into water supplies.
- Do not contaminate cisterns, wells, or other water tanks by treating the soil beneath these structures.
- Do not treat soil where runoff may occur.
- Do not treat soil water-saturated or frozen soil.
- Consult local and state specifications for recommended treatment practices in your area.
- If local or state specifications do not exist, consult the Federal Housing Administration (H.U.D.) guidance documents.

Note: For the purposes of the label, crawl spaces are defined as being inside of the structure.

Critical Areas: Points at which the foundation is penetrated or abuts another structure are Critical Areas. These include bath traps, cracks and expansion joints, utility entry points, and adjacent structures such as patios, slab additions, and stairs.

#### Limitations, Restrictions, and Exceptions

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As long as termites have access to soil that has not been treated and can avoid soil that has been treated with Bifen I/T, they can build mud tubes over surfaces that have been treated. Cracks and spaces should be filled with play box or builder's sand and then treated in the same manner as soil. Follow the rates listed on the label.

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

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

Method

[N.A.](#)

Timings

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