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**NOT FOR USE ON TURF BEING GROWN FOR SALE OR OTHER COMMERCIAL  
USE AS SOD, OR FOR COMMERCIAL  
SEED PRODUCTION OR FOR RESEARCH PURPOSES.**

Varsity™

Fire Ant Bait

To control imported fire ants on turf, lawns and landscapes, and other noncrop areas

Active Ingredient:

Abamectin (CAS No. 65195-56-4 and No. 65195-55-3)	0.011%*
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Other Ingredients:	99.989%
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Total:	100.000%
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\*1 lb. of Varsity contains 50 mg abamectin

**KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.**

**CAUTION**

See additional precautionary statements and directions for use inside booklet. (3 lb.)

EPA Reg. No. 100-893

EPA Est.

SCP 893A-L1(Draft) [3 lb. Booklet]

SCP 893A-L2(Draft) [25 lb. Bag]

3 pounds  
25 pounds  
Net Weight

**ACCEPTED**

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Under the Federal Insecticide,  
Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act  
as amended, for the pesticide  
registered under EPA Reg. No.

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**NOTICE:** Read the entire Directions for Use and Conditions of Sale and Limitation of Warranty and Liability before buying or using this product. If the terms are not acceptable, return the product at once, unopened, and the purchase price will be refunded.

The Directions for Use of this product should be followed carefully. It is impossible to eliminate all risks inherently associated with the use of this product. Crop injury, ineffectiveness or other unintended consequences may result because of such factors as manner of use or application, weather or crop conditions, presence of other materials or other influencing factors in the use of the product, which are beyond the control of SYNGENTA CROP PROTECTION, Inc. or Seller. All such risks shall be assumed by Buyer and User, and Buyer and User agree to hold SYNGENTA and Seller harmless for any claims relating to such factors.

SYNGENTA warrants that this product conforms to the chemical description on the label and is reasonably fit for the purposes stated in the Directions for Use, subject to the inherent risks referred to above, when used in accordance with directions under normal use conditions. This warranty does not extend to the use of the product contrary to label instructions, or under abnormal conditions or under conditions not reasonably foreseeable to or beyond the control of Seller or SYNGENTA, and Buyer and User assume the risk of any such use. SYNGENTA MAKES NO WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY OR OF FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE NOR ANY OTHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED WARRANTY EXCEPT AS STATED ABOVE.

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## DIRECTIONS FOR USE

It is a violation of federal law to use this product in a manner inconsistent with its labeling.

Observe all cautions and limitations on this label.

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### GENERAL INFORMATION

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#### Where to Use

To control imported fire ants on turf, lawns and landscapes, and other noncrop areas.

#### How Varsity Works

Varsity is formulated in an oil bait that functions as an attractant to imported fire ants.

Varsity is a stomach insecticide which acts slowly to reduce fire ant colonies. An effective fire ant insecticide should be slow acting so that the bait can be passed by the workers throughout the ant colony and eventually to the queen. Varsity is toxic to fire ants; however, it is most effective against the fire ant queen and causes an immediate halt of egg production and disappearance of worker brood. The disappearance of worker ants leads to the decline and eventual elimination of the fire ant colony.

#### When to Apply

Apply when ants are actively foraging [typically when soil temperatures are greater than 60°F (15°C)] or consult your state agricultural experiment station or state extension service for optimum timing of application. In cases where reinfestation occurs or when very large mounds remain active, retreatment may be desirable after 3-4 months. Apply after dew or rainfall has dried for maximum effectiveness. For best results, do not apply if rainfall is anticipated within 4-6 hours after application.

**Note:** Allow 7-10 days after applying Varsity before using a contact insecticide. This allows worker ants time to distribute bait throughout the colony.

#### How to Apply

**Broadcast Application:** Apply Varsity uniformly on areas to be treated at a rate of 1 lb. of bait/A. Do not exceed 1 lb. of bait/A.

**Individual Mound Treatment:** For best results, use 5-7 tbs. of Varsity per mound. Sprinkle the bait uniformly in a circle around the base of the mound, out to a distance of approximately 2-4 ft. Apply at a rate of 1 lb. of bait/A. Do not contaminate kitchen utensils with this product.

Limitations: Do not use in pastures, rangeland, or croplands.

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**STORAGE AND DISPOSAL**

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Do not contaminate water, food, or feed by storage or disposal. Consult federal, state, or local disposal authorities for approved alternative procedures.

**Storage**

Varsity may be an attractant to rodents and domestic animals. Store in a cool, secure, dry place. To maintain maximum effectiveness, close container tightly after each use and use within 5 months after opening.

**Container Disposal**

Rinse thoroughly before discarding. Securely wrap original container in several layers of newspaper and discard in trash. Do not reuse container.

For minor spills, leaks, etc., follow all precautions indicated on this label and clean up immediately. Take special care to avoid contamination of equipment and facilities during cleanup procedures and disposal of wastes.

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