

PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS
HAZARDS TO HUMANS AND DOMESTIC ANIMALS
CAUTION

Harmful if swallowed or absorbed through the skin. Avoid breathing dust. Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing. Wash thoroughly after handling.

STATEMENT OF PRACTICAL TREATMENT

If Swallowed: Call a physician or Poison Control Center. Give 1 or 2 glasses of water and immediately induce vomiting by gently touching back of throat with finger or administer syrup of Ipecac. Do not give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Get medical attention.
If on skin: Remove contaminated clothing and wash affected areas with soap and water.
If in eyes: Flush eyes with plenty of water. Call a physician if irritation persists.

For emergency information, call Merck & Co., Inc. (215) 661-7300 during business hours (8:30 am to 4:30 pm EST) or (215) 661-5000 after hours or weekends.

ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS

This pesticide is toxic to fish and wildlife. Do not apply directly to any body of water. Do not contaminate water by cleaning of equipment or disposal of wastes.

DIRECTIONS FOR USE

It is a violation of Federal (U.S.A.) law to use this product in a manner inconsistent with its labeling.

Observe all cautions and limitations on this label.

STORAGE AND DISPOSAL

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

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

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

TO CONTROL IMPORTED FIRE ANTS ON TURF, LAWNS, AND OTHER NON-CROP AREAS SUCH AS PARKS AND GOLF COURSES

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

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AFFIRM®

FIRE ANT BAIT

To Control Imported Fire Ants on Turf, Lawns, and Other Non-Crop Areas Such as Parks and Golf Courses

ACTIVE INGREDIENT

Avermectin B₁ (A mixture of avermectins containing ≥ 80% avermectin B_{1a} (5-O-demethyl avermectin A_{1a}) and ≤ 20% avermectin B_{1b} (5-O-demethyl-25-de (1-methylpropyl)-25-(1-methylethyl) avermectin A_{1b}))

INERT INGREDIENTS

1 lb of AFFIRM contains 50 mg avermectin B₁.

KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN CAUTION

See Left Panel for Additional Precautionary Statements

PRECAUCION AL USUARIO: Si usted no lee ingles, no use este producto hasta que la etiqueta haya sido explicada ampliamente.

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AFFIRM® 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. AFFIRM 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.

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 to 4 months.

Apply after dew or rainfall has dried off for maximum effectiveness. For best results, do not apply if rainfall is anticipated within 4 to 6 hours after application.

BROADCAST APPLICATION — Sprinkle AFFIRM uniformly on turf, lawns and non-crop areas. Do not exceed 1 lb of bait per acre.

INDIVIDUAL MOUND TREATMENT — Use 5 to 7 tablespoons of AFFIRM per mound. Sprinkle the bait uniformly over the mound and for a distance of approximately 2 feet out from the base of the mound. Apply at a rate of 1 lb of bait per acre. Do not contaminate kitchen utensils with this product.

LIMITATIONS — Do not use in pastures, rangeland, or croplands.

CONDITIONS OF SALE AND WARRANTY

Notice of Warranty — The Directions for Use of the product reflect the opinion of experts based on field use and tests. The directions are believed to be reliable and should be followed carefully. However, it is impossible to eliminate all risks inherently associated with use of this product. Ineffectiveness, or other unintended consequences, may result because of such factors as weather conditions, presence of other materials, or the manner or use of application, all of which are beyond the control of MSD AGVET or the Seller. Treatment may not be effective if tolerant strains of fire ants develop. Use of alternate treatments should be considered if treatment with this product proves ineffective. All such risks shall be assumed by the buyer.

MSD AGVET warrants that this product conforms to the chemical description on the label and is reasonably fit for the purpose referred to in the Directions for Use, subject to the inherent risks referred to above. Buyer assumes all risks of use or handling which are at variance in any way with the directions hereon. MSD AGVET makes no other express or implied warranty of Fitness or Merchantability or any other express or implied warranty. In no case shall MSD AGVET or the Seller be liable for consequential, special, or indirect damages resulting from the use or handling of this product. MSD AGVET and the Seller offer this product and the buyer and user accept it, subject to the foregoing Notice of Warranty which may be varied only by agreement in writing signed by a duly authorized representative of MSD AGVET.

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