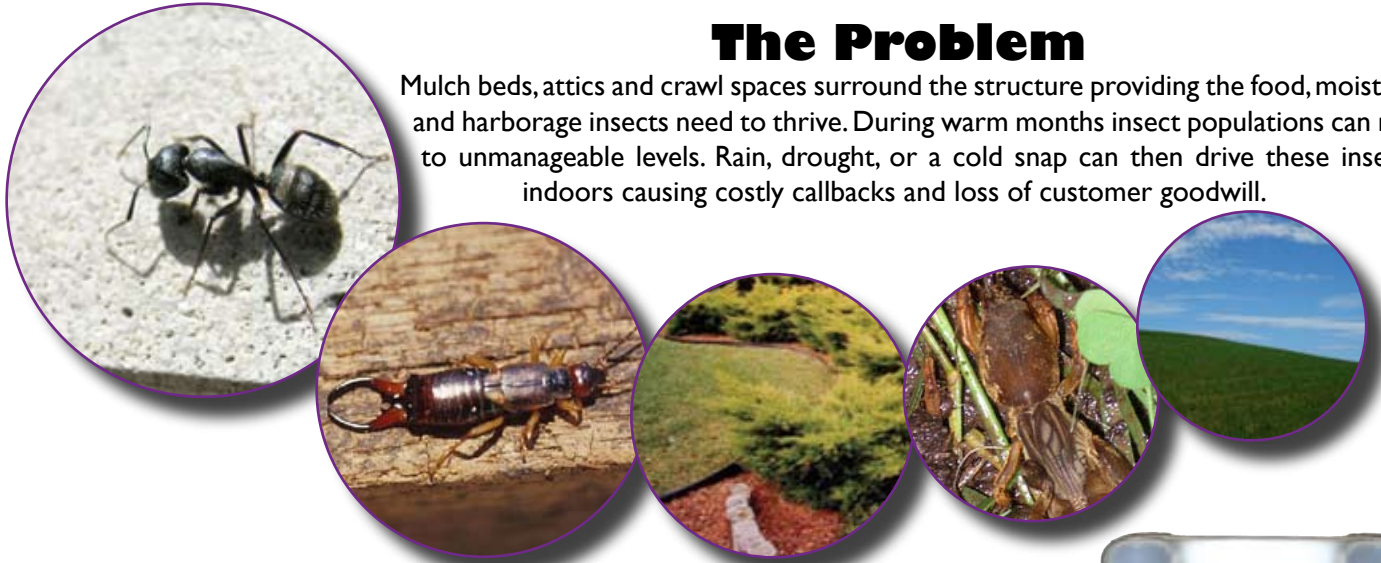


Perimeter Pest Guide

The Problem

Mulch beds, attics and crawl spaces surround the structure providing the food, moisture and harborage insects need to thrive. During warm months insect populations can rise to unmanageable levels. Rain, drought, or a cold snap can then drive these insects indoors causing costly callbacks and loss of customer goodwill.



The Proactive Solution

To prevent these problems, contributing conditions such as excess vegetation, overhanging branches and clogged gutters should be minimized. Potential entry points should also be sealed as much as possible. In the Spring, residual spray should be applied to potential entry points such as around eaves, windows, doors, and any other areas insects could use to enter the structure. The

foundation can also be sprayed.

InTice Granular Bait should be applied around the perimeter, as well as to non-perimeter landscape beds, woodpiles and other areas that are attractive to insects. Bait should also be applied to attics, and crawlspaces if present.



Outdoors, bait can be applied with the new refillable InTice EZ Spreader, or other spreaders or dusters. It's important to get bait under decks, shrubs and overhangs. For attics, a larger manual or electric duster works best to shoot granules 10-20 feet. Dusting will deliver the desired fine application rate. A little goes a long way!

How Often?

The outside perimeter treatment with InTice and the residual spray treatment around entry points should be repeated in the Summer and Fall. The account should also be treated in the Winter quarter in warm climates. There is no need to reapply InTice to attics and crawls until the following Spring. In hot, wet, subtropical climates, bi-monthly or even monthly outdoor services may be needed in some accounts.

How Much?

For outside treatment, 1/2 to 1 lb of InTice could be sufficient depending upon the size of the home and amount of other non-perimeter mulch. For attic treatment, only 1/3 to 1/2 lb is needed, and even less for crawls, typically about 1/4 lb is enough. The typical usage rate for the quarterly preventative treatment is 1 lb per 1000 sq ft. For accounts with large existing insect populations, heavier applications are needed.

Don't Just Chase Bugs Away...

Why Not Just Power Spray the Perimeter?

Traditional repellent sprays and granular insecticides work by creating a barrier. While this barrier tends to chase insects away, it doesn't necessarily kill large numbers. In the case of ants, a perimeter barrier spray does nothing to eliminate the colony. It is extremely difficult to make a solid barrier on a surface like mulch or ground cover vegetation. The insects will find ways over, under, and through the barrier which begins to break down from UV light, moisture, and heat soon after it's applied. That's why we recommend just spraying the solid surfaces on the structure itself, where it's possible to make an effective barrier, and not the natural ground surfaces. InTice Granular Bait is the best treatment for the natural ground surfaces.



Why Bait?

Insects regard bait as food. They actively seek it out, making your job easier. They are not disturbed when bait is applied, they just pick it up, eat it, and die. In the case of ants, the workers cannot eat solid food so they take the bait to the nest and feed it to the larvae, which eliminates the root cause of the problem. Sprays will kill some worker ants in the direct vicinity but unless you directly treat the nest, the problem won't go away.

Why InTice Granular Bait?

Multiple proteins, oils and sweet make InTice the most palatable broad spectrum bait available. It is also the most weather, mold and moisture resistant bait on the market today, making it ideal for perimeter treatment applications. Plus, unlike many other actives, the active ingredient, boric acid, doesn't break down from heat or UV light. InTice won't turn into "bug food!"

InTiceTM

granular bait

Is It Safe?

Your customers and the environment will appreciate your using a natural, time tested and known active. Plus, InTice has a very broad label, allowing application indoors even in food areas, and outdoors for perimeters as well as numerous broadcast turf uses.

InTice Granular Bait is Economical

Both coarse and fine InTice granules are available in economical 40 lb cartons, new 20 lb pails, and 5 lb bags. InTice fine granules also come in the new 4 lb EZ Spreader containers as well as handy 1 lb shakers. The 4 lb EZ Spreaders and the 1 lb shakers can be refilled with coarse or fine granules. At the recommended application rates, the cost per treatment compares favorably to other less effective treatments. The fine granule is better accepted not only by ants, but also by roaches and still has excellent weatherability, so it's the recommended product for most applications. It costs the same as the coarse granule.



They'll Die for the Taste of InTice!

A Word on Attics & Voids

Insecticidal dusts have long been used to treat attics and voids. These dusts can be repellent to insects, or at best not attractive to them. For this reason they may not be effective unless most or all of the inside surface is treated. This means getting under insulation which can be a lot of work. Dust can also increase your liability.



InTice Granular Bait is ideal for treating attics and voids with its very long residual in these conditions. Since insects are attracted to it there is no need to treat every surface, which means shorter service time and less work. There are also fewer safety concerns for customers and technicians. Silverfish love InTice! Nothing else works as well for controlling them quickly and easily. It works great applied right on top of the insulation. Sprays can be used around light fixtures and other entry points between the attic and living area, in addition to the bait in the attic and voids.



How About German Roaches?

Granular bait is often used for large roaches, but InTice works great on German roaches too! Dusting in dropped ceilings, pipe chases, and other damp or dirty areas where gels may not be ideal is a snap. It's economical and easy to apply with a small bulb or bellows duster. Plus there's none of the resistance problems seen with the use of some gels.



What About Non-Repellents?

In most accounts, if the Proactive Perimeter Treatment plan is followed, ants should not get out of hand. When treating active infestations, or in highly ant prone areas, non-repellent sprays around the perimeter per the label can be added to the bait treatment without problems. InTice should be applied right in the non-repellent treated zone and will increase ant traffic through the treatment area. The granular bait will provide extra insurance for colony elimination. Research shows the combination is more effective than either treatment alone, so it's perfect for tough ant problems.

Bait Station Protection

Ants and other insects love to infest rodent and termite stations. With its extra-long residual activity and broad-spectrum appeal, InTice Granular Bait is perfect to sprinkle around stations to control and prevent insect infestations in rodent and termite stations.



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