



F.A.Q.'S about Exopest Ant Treatments

How will the treatment be carried out?

Exopest technicians will first assess the property to plan the best way to control your problem. Treatment may involve dusting the roof and subfloor space, barrier spraying 1 metre high around the external walls and 1-3 metres out to paths, patios and garden beds, and perhaps using baits or granules. Cavities around doors and windows will be injected. Internal treatment usually involves, spraying of skirting boards, with a suitable safe chemical and dusting into cracks/crevices. Injection around tap fittings and areas where activity is occurring may also be necessary. Every effort is made to locate the nest and destroy it.

What if it rains soon after treatment?

Normally it is not a problem. The residual dust placed in roofs and cavities is very effective on its own and is often enough to control the infestation. The liquid spray treatment is a residual and crystallises with the soil or on pavements and paths shortly after application, it then remains water resistant. Exopest may choose to use granules to the external areas, which do require water to activate the pesticide, it is often used when raining at the time of treatment.

What do I do if ants appear inside after Treatment?

Exopest technician will supply and install ant cafes containing liquid bait, within the interior of your property. If ants appear then simply shift the cafe to the trail and they should diminish within 1-2 weeks. The bait is effective and targets the destruction of nests. The bait is clear and odour free ideal for use in sensitive indoor areas. It can also be placed in strategic areas externally.



Ants shown entering ant cafes and liquid ant baits.

When should the ants start dying?

You may see ants die soon after they come into contact with the insecticide. Many die as a result of Exopest directly spraying on the day. However, it may take up to 3 weeks to gain full control. It is impossible to rid your whole property of all ants and you should expect to see some in the garden after the treatment. They can walk 20-30ft before dying; our aim is to keep them from the interior. The ants feeding on the supplied ant cafes will take the liquid bait back into the wall cavities and distribute amongst the colony effectively killing it off. This is very useful as it is often impossible to access some of these nest locations.

When do I call the Pest Control Technician back?

You may call Exopest if you have ongoing ants **inside**, but please allow 3 weeks from when each treatment or visit is carried out. It could be the ant bait may need refilling. You may also add water to the ant cafes and shake them to reactivate the contents in the ant cafe.

How often should I have my home treated?

Good question. Ants are very unpredictable. Reinfestation will depend on location, state of repair and weather conditions. Many of Exopest clients have their home treated each year as a knock down treatment and as a management tool for ants. Please call Exopest on 03 8696 9000 and we will generally provide existing clients with a discount. Remember we cannot eradicate nature and a few ants will always be seen around your property.



Ants feeding, on Ant Liquid Bait.