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2005 Fire Ant Control Materials for Alabama Homeowners

This publication has been created as a supplement to another Extension publication, ANR-175, “Imported Fire Ants in Lawns, Turf, and Structures,” which discusses various methods used for controlling fire ants. Read ANR-175 first to help you decide how to manage the fire ants in your home grounds. Then use the product list in this publication to determine the appropriate choice.

Many products for the control of fire ants are now on the market. Each year new fire ant control products are available and old products may have new names. The products mentioned in this publication were found on the shelves of various farmers cooperatives, hardware stores, and lawn and garden centers during a survey in March 2005. Other materials may be available. The key to understanding fire ant control products is to look at the common name of the active ingredient, which tells you exactly what is in the product. Look for the common name of the insecticide on the front of the package, usually on the lower left side.

Trade name (Common names are lowercased and highlighted.)	Approximate cost to treat	
	one acre ¹	40 mounds
Baits that stop the production of new fire ants and act in 4 to 8 weeks (insect growth regulators)		
fenoxycarb		
Award Fire Ant Bait	\$16	\$10
(S)-methoprene		
Extinguish Professional Fire Ant Bait	\$17	\$22
Baits that contain a slow-acting insecticide and act in 2 to 4 weeks		
hydramethylnon		
Amdro Ant Block Home Perimeter Ant Bait	--	\$36
Amdro Fire Ant Bait or Amdro Pro	\$15	\$18
Amdro Fire Ant Bait Yard Treatment	\$123	--
spinosad		
Ferti-lome Come and Get It	\$49	\$21
Green Light Fire Ant Control with Conserve	\$48	\$19
Ortho Fire Ant Killer Bait Granules	\$39	\$15
Baits that are a mixture of an insect growth regulator and a slow-acting insecticide and act in 2 to 4 weeks		
(S)-methoprene and hydramethylnon		
Extinguish Plus Fire Ant Bait	\$17	\$22
Baits that contain an insecticide and act within a few days		
indoxacarb		
Spectracide Fire Ant Killer Plus Preventer Bait Once & Done	\$87	\$8
Granules that contain a slow-acting insecticide and act in 3 to 4 weeks		
fipronil		
GardenTech Over-N-Out	\$181	--

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	one acre ¹	40 mounds
Contact insecticides that act in 1 to 2 days		
<i>Dusts (some may need to be watered in)</i>		
acephate		
Acephate 75 SP Agricultural and Fire Ant Insecticide	--	\$3
Hi-Yield Acephate Systemic Turf, Tree, and Ornamental Spray	--	\$5
Orthene 75% Turf Tree and Ornamental Spray	--	\$5
Ortho Orthene Fire Ant Killer	--	\$5
carbaryl		
Hi-Yield 10% Carbaryl Garden and Pet Dust	--	\$6
cyfluthrin		
Bayer Advanced Lawn Fire Ant Killer	--	\$3
deltamethrin		
Bengal UltraDust 2X Fire Ant Killer	--	\$5
Bengal UltraDust Fire Ant Killer	--	\$7
Eagles-7 Fire Ant Destroyer	--	\$7
Eliminator Ant and Roach Killer Dust	--	\$5
Eliminator Fire Ant Killer Dust	--	\$15
Enforcer Fire Ant Killer	--	\$10
Green Light Many Purpose Dust	--	\$5
Terro Ant Dust	--	\$8
Terro Fire Ant Killer	--	\$9
permethrin		
Spectracide No-Odor Fire Ant Killer Ready-to-Use Dust	--	\$4
pyrethrins and diatomaceous earth		
Organic One Commercial Insecticide	--	\$22
Organic One Fire Ant Killer	--	\$27
<i>Liquid concentrates or wettable powders for use as drenches</i>		
carbaryl		
GardenTech Sevin Bug Killer Concentrate	--	\$32
cedar oil		
Natural Guard Lawn, Plant & Pet Insect Spray	--	\$27
cypermethrin		
Demon WP	--	\$239
Surrender Cyper WP	--	\$234
d-limonene		
Citrex Fire Ant Killer	--	\$150
permethrin		
ACE Soil and Turf Insect Control Concentrate	--	\$121
Bonide Termite and Carpenter Ant Killer	--	\$45
Do It Best Multipurpose Garden Insect Killer	--	\$114
Eliminator Ant, Flea, Tick, and Mosquito Killer Concentrate	--	\$68
Hi-Yield 38 Plus Turf, Tree, and Ornamental Insect Control	--	\$81
Hi-Yield Garden, Pet, and Livestock Insect Control	--	\$33
Hi-Yield Indoor/Outdoor Broad Use Insecticide	--	\$37
Hi-Yield Kill-A-Bug II	--	\$117
Martin's Vegetables Plus	--	\$4

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	one acre ¹	40 mounds
permethrin (continued)		
Spectracide Bug Stop Garden & Lawn Insect Control Concentrate	--	\$118
Surrender Termite Killer II	--	\$25
Termite Kill III	--	\$94
spinosad		
Ferti-lome Borer, Bagworm, Leaf Miner, and Tent Caterpillar Spray	--	\$85
<i>Liquid concentrates for use as a hose end sprayer</i>		
carbaryl		
GardenTech Sevin Bug Killer Ready to Spray	--	\$29
<i>Granules for mound treatment and/or broadcasting</i>		
bifenthrin		
Ortho Fire Ant Killer Broadcast Granules	\$154	\$23
Ortho Max Fire Ant Killer	\$160	\$12
Scotts Turf Builder with Fire Ant Control	\$174	--
carbaryl		
Eliminator Lawn Insect Killer Granules	--	\$3
GardenTech Sevin Lawn Insect Granules	--	\$3
Hi-Yield Lawn + Garden Insect Killer Granules	--	\$10
Ortho BugBGon Lawn and Soil Insect Killer with Grub Control	--	\$6
cyfluthrin		
Bayer Advanced Lawn PowerForce Fire Ant Killer Ready to Use Granules	--	\$7
deltamethrin		
Basic Solutions by Ortho Fire Ant Killer Granules	\$122	\$7
Hi-Yield Imported Fire Ant Control Granules Containing Deltamethrin	--	\$10
Hi-Yield Turf Ranger Insect Control Granules	--	\$6
imidacloprid and beta-cyfluthrin		
Bayer Advanced Lawn Complete Insect Killer for Soil & Turf	--	\$7
lambda-cyhalothrin		
Spectracide Fire Ant Killer Granules Mound Destroyer	--	\$10
Spectracide Fire Ant Killer Granules ₂	\$123	\$13
Spectracide Fire Ant Killer Mound and Broadcast Granules	\$99	\$10
Spectracide Triazicide Soil and Turf Insect Killer Granules	--	\$8 ²
permethrin		
ACE Lawn Insect Control Granules	--	\$15
Eliminator Ant, Flea, and Tick Killer Granules	--	\$5
Eliminator Fire Ant Killer Plus! Granules	--	\$11
Enforcer Ant & Insect Barrier Treatment III	--	\$47
Enforcer Fire Ant Killer Granules II	--	\$20
Grant's Ant and Spider Killer Granules	--	\$48
Green Light Fire Ant Killer	--	\$28
Hi-Yield Kill-A-Bug II Lawn Granules	--	\$11
Spectracide Bug Stop Insect Control Granules	--	\$8
Terro Outdoor Ant Killer Plus Multi-Purpose Insect Control	--	\$28
Viper 25G Lawn Insect Control Granules	--	\$7

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	one acre ¹	40 mounds
tralomethrin		
Schultz Fast-Acting Fire Ant Killer	--	\$12

-- Product is not labeled to control fire ants in this way.

¹An acre is 43,560 square feet. To determine the square footage of your yard, multiply the length in feet by the width in feet.

²This price applies to the 10- to 20-pound bags. If the 1-pound shaker can is used, it would cost \$50 to treat 40 mounds.

Visit www.aces.edu/dept/fireants for more information on managing fire ants.



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Use pesticides **only** according to the directions on the label. Follow all directions, precautions, and restrictions that are listed. Do not use pesticides on plants that are not listed on the label.

The pesticide rates in this publication are recommended **only** if they are registered with the Environmental Protection Agency and the Alabama Department of Agriculture and Industries. If a registration is changed or cancelled, the rate listed here is no longer recommended. Before you apply any pesticide, fungicide or herbicide, check with your county Extension agent for the latest information.

Trade names are used **only** to give specific information. The Alabama Cooperative Extension System does not endorse or guarantee any product and does not recommend one product instead of another that might be similar.

For more information, call your county Extension office. Look in your telephone directory under your county's name to find the number.

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