How to Get Rid of Mole Crickets

Mole Cricket Treatment & Control Guide

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OVERVIEW

What Kills Mole Crickets?

The key to a successful mole cricket treatment is timing. When the mole crickets are small and young, they are much easier to control, but there will be little to no visible damage at this time.

When damage is visible, usually in the spring, mole crickets are much larger and robust, which makes them harder to control. The best time to treat for moles crickets will be in the early life stages, when they are the most vulnerable.

STEP 1 Map Out Problem Areas

In the spring, when mole cricket damage is most obvious, take note of where the damage has occurred. Mapping out the areas of damage will help you apply products in the right areas in the summer.

In early summer, you can test the problem areas by applying a soapy water solution to a few feet of your turf. If a few mole crickets emerge after a few minutes, you're in the right area.

STEP 2 Apply Products At The Right Time

Video Instructions

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CI-1Wnb9O-o
Controlling mole crickets soon after they hatch will offer faster knockdown of the current population and will help to avoid extensive damage later in the year.

- Apply to areas that have experienced mole cricket damage in the spring.
- It is important that the soil has adequate moisture so the product can penetrate the soil. Some products require irrigation after application, some require irrigation before application.
- Many products are labeled to control mole crickets, often products that contain pyrethroids, in granules, liquids, and bait formulas. Read label carefully to make sure mole crickets are listed on the label.

**Products needed for Step 2**

**Mole Cricket Treatment Infographic**

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