

MONITORING TRAP

PRODUCT NAME: Disposable Wasp Bag Trap

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

This disposable "Bag" trap is designed for the trapping of *Vespula* spp. (such as *Vespula germanica* and *Vespula vulgaris*) and several other social wasp species. The insects are lured into the trap through several vented channels within the lid that allowing access to the liquid food-based attractant within the trap. Once in the trap, the insects cannot locate the way out and drown in the attractant.

The trap consists of a hanging top entry bag outer, and a spouted bottle containing a food grade attractant concentrate.

TRAP

Dimensions: (Approx) 280mm x 200mm x 90mm
Material: Plastic
Colour: Printed bag with yellow top
Approximate Weight: (per Trap empty) 50g

ATTRACTANT

A manufactured insect attractant for *Vespula* spp.

Odour: Fruity
Visual appearance: Red liquid
Refractive Index: 1.395 – 1.405 @ 20°C
Composition: Carbohydrates and other permitted food ingredients
Flash point: >100 °C
Packaging: Polyethylene terephthalate glycol copolymer bottle with spouted lid

Kit Contents: 1 Trap, 1 attractant bottle with spout
Packaging: Carton
Pack size: 8 kits

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR USE

SPECIES NAME: *Vespula* spp. (Common Wasp)

PEST STATUS:

A summer-time nuisance and hygiene pest due to scavenging of foodstuffs being a nuisance where foods are prepared and served.

GENERATIONS:

Multiple generations but tend to only be a problem in the hottest and driest months.

TRAPPING SEASON:

The disposable wasp trap is most effective against wasps in the later part of the summer when the wasps begin to become a nuisance. Earlier use of the bait will not result in large numbers of wasps being caught since at this time they will be searching for alternative food sources (in the UK, these traps will be effective from June to September).

DIRECTIONS FOR USE:

Snip the top off the spout on the liquid attractant bottle. Then take the wasp bag and unscrew the lid so the bag hangs from it. Holding the lid of the wasp bag, squeeze the contents of the attractant bottle into it through one of the entry vents under the lid. Fill the wasp bag with water from the tap to the fill line marked on it. Take care to wash off any spilt attractant concentrate from the outside of the trap. Hang the trap vertically by the twist tie attached to the lid in a suitable outdoor position, preferably in the sun and out of the way. Ensure that the trap is held securely in place by the twist wrap and onto the item that the trap is hung from. Where large numbers of traps are being used, place the traps about 10m apart. This distance should be reduced in areas of particularly high insect activity. It is recommended that these traps draw wasps away from surrounding areas where the wasps are a nuisance. And ideally they should be placed in more secluded areas of the property.

CHANGE OF TRAP:

The trap should be inspected regularly and replaced when the liquid is saturated with dead wasps. The trap can be topped up with water to the line if needed. To dispose of the trap, screw the lid closed, remove from its hanging position and throw away via standard waste disposal means. Do not take the trap indoors due to the potential risk of the bag breaking open.

PRECAUTIONS:

As the trap is composed of harmless materials, no special precautions are necessary.

STORAGE AND HANDLING RECOMMENDATIONS:

During storage, store away from direct heat, hot areas and direct sunlight. Avoid applying excessive weight to boxes to avoid crushing of the contents. The liquid bait concentrate is provided in a bottle within the trap which should be kept under good storage conditions at below 15 °C. Under these conditions the product keeps its activity and attractancy for a minimum of 2 years. Suterra do not recommend storing the product for longer than this time.

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