

MD Weaver Termite Information

Introduction:

At MD Weaver we offer the Green approach to termite control. By using one of the containerized bait systems, termites are controlled without the release of pesticides into the soil.

The termite bait approach also provides automatically one of the most important phases of integrated pest management: Surveillance and Monitoring.

The termite prevalent in the Northeast is the subterranean termite (*Reticulitermes flavipes*). It is this termite that control procedures are specialized for. The subterranean termite colonizes in the soil, even though it enters buildings to feed. This is the reason bait stations installed in the soil outside of a building will kill the same termites feeding inside. It is very rare to have a colony exist above ground in New England, and is usually because of a severe moisture issue in the building allowing them to sustain themselves.

Client Still Must Consider Conditions Conducive to Termites

Integrated pest management also means non-chemical solutions to complement the treatments.

Wood that contacts the ground should be avoided whenever possible. The most common situation is with garage doorframes. These should be cut so that the wood does not extend to the soil. Another important note is with mulch planter beds. The mulch attracts termites to the area of the building, feeds and increases termites, and competes with the termite bait. Wood and bark mulch should be kept to a minimum next to the buildings.

Different Levels of Protection and Program Options

Service ranges from a complete baiting program to a Limited spot-check of monitor stakes. Missing or damaged termite bait stations would be the responsibility of the client unless due to normal use and wear. Termite Soil treatment involves a relatively large amount of toxin to applied directly into the soil and is used only as an adjunct to termite baiting in some situations.

The pictures below provide links to the two brands used at MD Weaver Corporation. Both brands utilize insect growth regulators that are effective in eliminating termite colonies.

Termite Revealer

The Standard Termite Revealer Program should be used only when there is no current evidence that termites are active on the property. It provides a service twice per year to check termite monitoring stakes placed approximately every 30 feet around the building. The results of the survey are reported to the client with recommendations on what further action may be needed. The standard Termite Revealer program provides a quick and economical method for basic termite surveillance. Although the most economical method, it also offers the least comprehensive detection capability.

- Basic Wood Stake Station Placement
- Stake Spacing approximately every 30 feet around building perimeter
- Usually checked twice per year
- Stations are not individually catalogued, service reporting is at the building level not station level
- Includes basic exterior Building Observations with Inspection
- Invoiced by the visit.
- Termite Detection not as reliable as the Termite Revealer® PLUS System or the Exterra® baiting system.

Termite Revealer Plus

This program uses Termite Revealer® wood stakes to detect for termites. The complete bait stations are then installed when termites are detected. Where termites are known to exist, stations are installed initially in these areas (for instance outside of where termites have swarmed). This is an economical alternative to the station-only program. There is a delay between termite detection and bait consumption as stations are installed upon detection. The full-baiting program includes full installation at initial service.

- Stations are installed initially where termites are known to exist; otherwise wood stakes are installed and indexed. Additional stations added as termites are detected.
- Uses wood stake stations to monitor for termites
- Monitoring stations are placed approximately every 15 feet
- Stations are indexed with identification numbers
- Station service and activity is tracked per station and computerized reports can be generated to show the detail of all service at the station level.
- When Termites are detected, a termite bait station(s) is installed in the immediate area of the stake station with termites. Baited stations will be added, moved and removed according to termite activity.
- Service Does not include additional service for termites inside or on the building[1]
- Invoiced by the visit with three visits per year.
- The application of termite bait in exterior stations is included in the listed rates
- Termite Revealer PLUS® is convertible to a full Station Program with 80% of the setup amount applied.

NOTE: Additional service may be added if the building is being converted from another program in certain situations

Termite All Station

The most complete method of termite control is to rely on the full-sized stations that provide the most complete monitoring capability and are immediately ready for bait application

- Uses full-sized stations to best monitor, detect, and kill termites
- Stations are placed approximately 15 feet apart around the outside of the building.
- Additional service needed for termite control is included with the service.
- Service invoiced on a calendar basis, and is constant regardless of number of services.
- Stations are tracked with identification numbers.

Allowance for Additional Service / Warranty:

For buildings under the full treatment program, additional **treatment service would be provided at no additional charge**, whether it is for additional baiting stations or the application of liquid treatments. Access to allow for treatment would be the responsibility of the client (See warranty fact sheet for more information). Please note that an additional charge will result from missing or damaged stations, or for removal of excessive mulch to access the stations.