HELP STOP THE SPREAD OF THE RED IMPORTED FIRE ANT!!



Red imported fire ant (Solenopsis invicta)



Pustules from fire ant sting

The red imported fire ant is a serious stinging pest threatening agriculture and human health in the United States.



Mound in landscape

Fire ant "honeycomb" nest

Mound in grass

Interstate shipments of nursery stock can carry this invader into your nursery, garden center, or home landscape.

If you see ants associated with nursery stock, cone shaped mounds, or experience stinging ants, call the Maryland Department of Agriculture, Plant Protection and Weed Management Section immediately at 410-841-5920.



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