

How to register for a fire ant treatment project

We are working with communities and industry groups in a whole-of-community approach to controlling fire ants in high-risk areas.

Fire ants can have devastating consequences on our environment, economy, human health and outdoor way of life.

It's important for everyone—landowners and tenants—to prevent the spread of fire ants. This means reporting fire ants within 24 hours of finding them and then treating them.

We are currently equipping groups of residents and business operators located in areas at high risk of fire ant infestation with the skills they need to manage the pest themselves.

Community and industry focused fire ant treatment projects are now underway for:

- Education facilities awaiting eradication treatment
- Primary producers inside our eradication treatment area
- Sports and recreational facilities awaiting eradication treatment
- Waste management facilities awaiting eradication treatment
- Residential landowners and tenants in:
 - Yarrabilba
 - Tamborine Mountain
 - the Gold Coast (Arundel, Maudsland, Pacific Pines and Parkwood).

Treating fire ants on your property

Each of our fire ant treatment projects is designed differently.

In some instances, we will provide participants with fire ant bait, in others we will encourage people to select the best treatment option for them. This will help inform which fire ant treatment method works best to suppress pest populations in different circumstances.

Treatment options

There are two options for treating fire ants.

- Fire ant bait

Property owners and tenants can purchase and use fire ant bait themselves. There are a [number of baits](#) available on the market.

Businesses who have a staff member with a pest management licence can also use fire ant bait.

If you choose to use fire ant bait, always read and follow the instructions on the label.

- Hire a pest manager

We have trained many pest managers to treat fire ants safely and effectively using bait and by direct nest injection with liquid insecticide. You can ask to view their fire ant training certificate.

Residents and businesses can hire a pest manager to treat fire ants on property they own or manage.

Registration process

You may have been invited or encouraged to participate in one of our fire ant treatment projects.

Registering is simple.

1. [Create an online account](#) by clicking the link or navigating to 'I want to... create an account' on our [Fire ant portal](#).
2. Complete the online form, indicating which fire ant treatment project you'd like to register for.
3. Once you registered you will receive a system-generated email informing you of the next steps.

If you are unsure if you should register as part of a project, or would like to find out if you can join a project, please email us fireants@daf.qld.gov.au or call 13 25 23 (ask to speak with the 'fire ant engagement team').

More information

Visit daf.qld.gov.au/fireants or call us 13 25 23.

