

# How to Get Rid of Mole Crickets

## Mole Cricket Treatment & Control Guide

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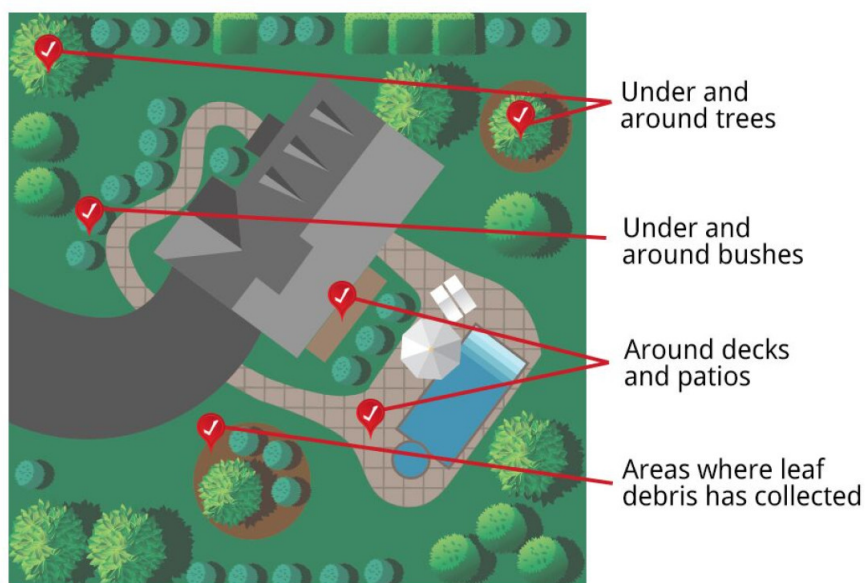
### OVERVIEW

#### 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 mole 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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### Mole Cricket Treatment

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#### Signs of Mole Crickets

Mole crickets tunnel under the surface of your lawn and feed on roots of grass, causing small mounds and brown, dying grass.

#### Mole Cricket Conditions:

Even though eggs hatch in summer, damage will not become visible until the following spring, after the immature mole crickets have developed and grown.

#### Treatment

##### Detailed Treatment Guide:

Detailed guide with How-to Videos and other things you'll need for getting rid of Mole Crickets.



- 1 Map out damaged areas**

When you see mole cricket damage in the spring, take detailed notes of these areas. This will allow you to focus your treatment on the right areas at the time of control.
- 2 Apply products at the right time**

Applying products soon after mole crickets hatch is the best time to control them, and this will occur in early summer. Concentrate application in the areas mapped out the previous spring.

**Tip** Mole crickets are easiest to control when damage is least evident, which is in the summer right after they hatch. Testing your soil with a diluted soap solution will help to flush the mole crickets to the surface, confirming their presence.

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