
The European Fire Ants

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Becoming aware of these
invasive species would
help our community
understand and prevent
them from bothering us
and our environment.

About The Ants

European Fire Ants are from the Northern part of Europe and Asia. European fire ants came here in Maine when people began transporting plants, not knowing the Fire Ants were nesting in the soil. When the plants got here in Maine, the Fire Ants began spreading.

Damage

If you happen to encounter these ants, be aware that they will bite. They won't hesitate in using their stinger either. The sting is only a pinch, but it injects venom under the skin that burns from 30 minutes to 2



How To Get Rid of The Ants

There is no exact method to rid ourselves of these ants, but there are a few approaches that may decrease the amount of invasions. These ants love moisture, they like to live in tall grass and underneath lawn clutter. Reducing the amount of standing water, and keep the yard maintained will help avoid the ant infestations.



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