

Structural Pest Control Section – Division of Plant Industry Georgia Department of Agriculture

Compliance Fact Sheet Termite Warranty Retreatment Rule

This fact sheet is for structural pest control operators and technicians. It provides guidance on how to comply with Rule 620-6-.07 the retreatment rule for subterranean termite warranty contracts in accordance with the Minimum Adequate Treatment Standards in the Rules of the *Georgia Structural Pest Control Act*.

Rule 620-6-.07

This rule is found in the WDO chapter addressing the correction of deviations and states in part that *Any structure under contract with a licensee found by either the licensee or the Enforcement Agency [GDA] to have three or more separate areas of active infestation from subterranean termites within a five (5) year period shall receive a complete retreatment in accordance with the Minimum Adequate Treatment Standards.*

Complete Retreatment

Complete retreatment with minimum adequate treatment standards requires a complete treatment at the required concentrations and volumes to the minimum standards specified in Rule 620-6-.04. This applies to all WDO warranty contracts issued for the control of subterranean termites.

Rule 620-6-.04 allows for the following minimum adequate subterranean termite control treatment standard types for post construction:

- (a) comprehensive soil termiticide application
- (b) defined soil termiticide application
- (c) wood treatment or fumigation
- (d) bait and baiting system application and installation

If GDA issues a WDO corrective action requiring a retreatment under Rule 620-6-.07(5), the licensee must respond with a corrective action plan. This plan must address the following items:

- I. Type of treatment
- II. Timeline for the treatment
- III. Confirmation of treatment including pesticide use records and diagrams
- IV. Timeline for re-inspections of the structure for termite activity

Time frame

Compliance with the corrective action is required to be completed within 30 days of the notification. The licensee will need to submit the plan and confirmation records to GDA.

Initial treatment is a preventive wood treatment

Retreatment type must include at least one of the following:

- (a) comprehensive soil termiticide application
- (b) defined soil termiticide application
- (d) baiting system

Initial treatment is a bait and baiting system

Retreatment type must include at least one of the following:

- (a) comprehensive soil termiticide application
- (b) defined soil termiticide application
- (e) alternate application technique(s) which requires a GDA accepted plan (see additional requirements)

Initial treatment is a device

Retreatment type must include at least one of the following:

- (a) comprehensive soil termiticide application
- (b) defined soil termiticide application
- (d) baiting system

Alternate application technique requirements

A corrective action plan is required and will need to be submitted to GDA and accepted including the following four additional elements:

- A justification statement for the alternate application technique. The

statement will need to explain the reasoning for the alternate application technique(s).

- A description of the specific areas that will be treated.
- A diagram consisting of a reasonable depiction of the structure(s) indicating the location of the application sites.
- Re-inspection statement indicating inspection of the structure(s) at 6 months and 12 months to confirm no activity.

Online Resources

- [Laws & Regulations](#)
- [Georgia Structural Pest Control Commission](#)

Also listed at www.agr.georgia.gov/structural

If further assistance is needed, contact the Structural Pest Control Office or an inspector at (404) 656-3641 or inspection@agr.georgia.gov

The Georgia Structural Pest Control Commission and Georgia Department of Agriculture have issued this guidance document to help pest management professionals comply with the Rules of the Georgia Structural Pest Control Act. This document does not include all regulatory requirements. Refer to the complete Rules of the Georgia Structural Pest Control Act for all rules and regulations.

