

Questions for Derrick-September 2019

1. If a company is only registered in the HPC category, can they use the pesticide Cyper TC in the manner allowed by this label for the control of cockroaches, ants, spiders, etc. even though the label carries the sentence, "For use by individuals/firms licensed or registered by the state to apply termiticide products."

Yes, they can use this product for HPC pests by following the use instructions for those pests. This label language regarding licensing is common for products that include termite control.
2. At some condo associations- the homeowner only owns from the inside walls- the HOA owns the exterior and any crawl spaces etc. So, when doing a WIIR on a place like this- does the WIIR cover areas/items that do not belong to the homeowner- such as earth to wood contact on the exterior of the home or ventilation/wood debris in a crawl space.

On an OWIIR, the technician\inspector must report all existing conducive conditions. The building code requires ventilation measures for a 1 or 2 family dwelling. It is important to note that the inspection was limited to the unit which is accessible and that other attaching units were not accessible due to ownership.
3. A wood deck post comes down on top of a landscape timber wall that contacts the ground- the post sits on a metal post holder that is bolted to the timbers.

Is this considered to be a condition conducive on a wood infestation report (3a) or wood less than six inches from the ground (3b)- the metal post holders sit only an inch or two higher than what they are sitting on?

There are two separate regulations in question.

3(a) When issuing an Official Georgia Wood Infestation Inspection Report (WIIR) used in a real estate transaction, any wood that is in contact with the ground must be reported as a conducive condition (**Official Georgia Wood Infestation Report: Rule 620-6--03(2)**-see item 9 of "Conditions Governing This Report"-second page on the WIIR).

In this case because it is sitting on a metal post holder and not in contact with soil, the wooden deck post is not a conducive condition and does not need to be reported on the WIIR. If, however, the landscape timber wall is touching the structure and in contact with soil, then the landscape timbers would need to be reported as a conducive condition on the WIIR.

3(b) The requirement for correcting any untreated wooden members less than six inches from soil is a control measure and applies to any subterranean termite treatment (**Control Measures: Rule 620-6-.04(1), and Rule 620-6-.04(3)**).

In this case because it is sitting on a metal post holder, the wooden deck post is considered "insulated" from outside soil and is not required to be corrected.
4. If a crawlspace has the "continuously operated mechanical exhaust ventilation" or the "conditioned air supply" to properly ventilate the crawlspace, is the pest control company responsible for measuring the cubic foot per minute generated by these systems? If so, how?

The mechanical device label will have the ventilation specifications on it to determine if it is adequate. If the label is missing, the model number of the machine can be checked for the ventilation measurements.

If the area is ventilated by conditioned air, the minimum requirement is that there is an air duct supplying conditioned air, an exhaust fan or dehumidifier. It is advised that these findings are noted on inspections.
5. Who would decide what under-floor space ventilation option to use if a company had to correct the inadequate ventilation not reported on the OGWIIR?" The Dept, the property owner or the pest control company?

If ventilation needs to be corrected, it would be up to the homeowner and the PMP to agree on the option to correct the ventilation.