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Aphidius colemani Aphid Control - Application Instructions

Please use immediately upon receipt

Required conditions:

- Temperature: must be over 13°C
- Insecticides: Do not apply if insecticides have been used in the past 1-2 weeks

Before application:

- Take down any sticky traps before releasing the *colemani* parasitic wasps
- *Colemani* wasps lay their eggs inside Aphids, this creates a mummified Aphid from which a new *colemani* wasp emerges. This process takes around 2 weeks

Application:

- Use immediately and do not store
- Open the lid of the container and allow the wasps to gradually hatch and fly out
- The container can be placed near plants and removed after 1-2 weeks
- Alternatively apply the *colemani* from our **Dragonfli Distribution Boxes**, ensuring to keep material dry for at least a week
- Do not use any insecticides once the parasites have been released
- Repeat applications see best results

Next Steps:

- Look out for mummified aphids on the leaves and stems of plants, this shows that the parasites are active
- Consider another application after 2 weeks to continue suppression of Aphid population

If Aphid populations remain high, and mummies are not spotted, contact Dragonfli for Aphid identification as *Aphidius colemani* will not attack all Aphid species

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