



Application periods



- Please read inside of pack for detailed application information
 - *Spring application needs to be repeated in the summer
 - Use nematodes on receipt or fridge store (do not freeze)
 - Do not fridge store longer than use by date
- Carror Root Fly Killer is safe for children, pets and wildlife

Leatherjacket Killer

Beneficial Nematodes

Carrot Root Fly Killer provides a biological control solution for Carrot Root Fly (*Psila rosae*) using entomopathogenic nematodes (*Steinernema species*). Nematodes are living organisms that can be used to control insect pests including Carrot Root Fly larvae. The larvae of Carrot Root fly are creamy/yellow in colour and create brown tunnels inside the carrots and feed on the tap roots. Carrot Root fly adults are small black flies that lay eggs in the soil around the Carrots, these develop into the larvae that attack the Carrots. There are normally two generations a year and the Carrot Root fly larvae can often be found between May-June and August-October. These are the two key periods to apply Carrot Root Fly Killer nematodes.

Carrot Root Fly Killer nematodes provide a safe, natural solution for control of Carrot Root fly larvae. Nematodes enter the Carrot Root Fly larvae via a natural opening like the mouth and feed on the contents of the larvae. A natural bacterium is produced by the nematodes inside the Carrot fly larvae, which kills it. The nematodes also reproduce inside the Larvae, releasing more nematodes into the surrounding area. Once the Carrot Root Fly larvae are killed, the nematodes die back to natural levels in the soil. There is no harvest interval with Carrot Root Fly Killer as nematodes have no negative effects on plants, humans, birds, fish or mammals.

Carrot Root Fly Killer can be applied with watering cans, Hose end sprayer nematode applicators or sprayers. If using hose end applicators, read the manufacturer instructors and if applying with sprayers, take out any filters prior to use.

Preparation prior to application

- For best results apply Carrot Root Fly Killer nematodes between May-June and August-October.
- Soil should be moist at application and water treated areas after application.
- Apply on dull or wet days, avoid application on bright days, as nematodes are UV sensitive.
- Soil temperature should be 10.c plus for nematode activity.

Application

- Open nematode sachet and empty entire contents into a bucket of 2.5 litres of water to create nematode concentrate solution.
- Stir thoroughly to break up and dissolve carrier material.
- Add 0.5 litre of nematode concentrate solution to an 8 litre watering can and fill with water.
- Using a coarse rose apply contents to an area of 10 square metres.
- One pack will make 5 watering cans to treat an area up to 50 square metres.
- Use all the contents of the pack once opened and do not store made up concentrate solution.
- Nematodes can also be applied with some hose end feeder /nematode applicators and sprayers.

Post application

Ensure soil area is moist for up to 2 weeks after application







