# **Taurus SC**

Termiticide / Insecticide

It is a violation of federal law to use this product in a manner inconsistent with its labeling.

- For sale to, use and storage only by individuals/firms licensed or registered by the state to apply termiticide and/or general pest control products.
- **DO NOT** use this product for termite or other pest control indoors, except for label-specified applications for termite control and foam applications to wall voids for control of other listed pests.
- **DO NOT** use on golf course turf. May be used for control of termites and other listed pests found on/near structures associated with golf courses, but only as specified on this label.
- **DO NOT** use on animal trophies or animal skins.

See inside booklet for additional **Restrictions, First Aid, Precautionary Statements, Directions For Use, Conditions of Sale and Warranty,** and state-specific use sites and/or restrictions.

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Active Ingredient	
*Fipronil	 9.1%
Other Ingredients	90.9%
-	100.0%

\*(5-amino-1-(2,6-dichloro-4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-4-((1,R,S)-(trifluoromethyl)sulfinyl)-1-H-pyrazole-3-carbonitrile)

Taurus SC termiticide / insecticide contains 0.8 pounds active ingredient per gallon.

# KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN Caution/Precaución

Si usted no entiende la etiqueta, busque a alguien para que se la explique a usted en detalle. (If you do not understand the label, find someone to explain it to you in detail.)

(See attached label for additional precautionary information and complete Directions for Use).

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Net Contents:

FIRST AID		
Have the product	container or label with you when calling a poison control center or doctor, or going for	
treatment.		
If swallowed:	Call a Poison Control Center or doctor immediately for treatment advice.	
	<ul> <li>Have person sip a glass of water if able to swallow.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Do not induce vomiting unless told to do so by a poison control center or</li> </ul>	
	doctor.	
	<ul> <li>Do not give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.</li> </ul>	
lf on skin or	Take off contaminated clothing.	
clothing:	<ul> <li>Rinse skin immediately with plenty of water for 15-20 minutes.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice.</li> </ul>	
If inhaled:	Move person to fresh air.	
	<ul> <li>If person is not breathing, call 911 or an ambulance, then give artificial</li> </ul>	
	respiration, preferably by mouth-to-mouth, if possible.	
	<ul> <li>Call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice.</li> </ul>	
If in eyes:	<ul> <li>Hold eye open and rinse slowly and gently with water for 15-20 minutes.</li> </ul>	
	Remove contact lenses, if present, after the first 5 minutes, then continue	
	rinsing eye.	
	<ul> <li>Call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice.</li> </ul>	
	n: There is no specific antidote. All treatment should be based on observed signs and	
	ess in the patient. Overexposure to materials other than this product may have	
	e cases of overexposure by oral ingestion, lethargy, muscle tremors, and in extreme	
	nvulsions may occur.	
	t container or label with you when calling a poison control center or doctor, or	
going for treatment. You may also contact SafetyCall <sup>®</sup> (866) 897-8050 for emergency medical		
treatment inform	ation	

#### PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS Hazards to Humans and Domestic Animals Caution

Harmful if swallowed, absorbed through skin or inhaled. Do not get in eyes, on skin or on clothing. Do not breathe spray mist. Wash thoroughly with soap and water after handling and before eating, drinking, chewing gum, or using tobacco. Remove and wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

# **Personal Protective Equipment (PPE):**

All pesticide handlers (mixers, loaders, and applicators) must wear long-sleeved shirt and long pants, socks, shoes, and chemical-resistant gloves. All pesticide handlers must wear a dust/mist filtering respirator (MSHA/NIOSH approval number prefix TC-21C), or a NIOSH approved respirator with any N, R, P or HE filter, when working in a non-ventilated space, including but not limited to crawl-spaces and basements. All pesticide handlers must wear protective eyewear (goggles, a faceshield, or safety glasses with front, brow, and temple protection) when working in a non-ventilated space, including but not limited to crawl-spaces and basements or when applying termiticide by rodding or sub-slab injection.

#### User Safety Recommendations

Users should wash hands thoroughly with soap and water before eating, drinking, chewing gum, using tobacco or using the toilet.

Remove contaminated clothing. Then wash body thoroughly with soap and water and put on clean clothing. Wash clothing with detergent and hot water before reusing.

Remove PPE immediately after handling this product. Wash outside of gloves before removing. Wash PPE before reusing.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS

This pesticide is toxic to birds, fish, and aquatic invertebrates. Do not apply directly to water, or to areas where surface water is present or to intertidal areas below the mean high water mark. Runoff from treated areas may be hazardous to aquatic organisms in neighboring areas. Care must be taken to avoid runoff. Do not contaminate water by cleaning equipment or disposal of wastes. Do not contaminate water when disposing of equipment washwaters.

#### **DIRECTIONS FOR USE**

It is violation of federal law to use this product in a manner inconsistent with its labeling. Read entire label before using this product.

For sale to, use and storage only by individuals/firms licensed or registered by state to apply termiticide and/or general pest control products. States may have more restrictive requirements regarding qualifications of persons using this product. Consult the structural pest control regulatory agency of your state prior to use of this product.

#### DIRECTIONS FOR USE TO CONTROL TERMITES

#### **USE RESTRICTIONS:**

When treating adjacent to an existing structure, the applicator must check the area to be treated, and immediate adjacent areas of the structure, for visible and accessible cracks and holes to prevent any leaks or significant exposures to persons occupying the structure. People present or residing in the structure during application must be advised to remove their pets and themselves from the structure if they see any signs of leakage. After application, the applicator is required to check for leaks. All leaks resulting in the deposition of termiticide in locations other than those prescribed on this label must be cleaned up prior to leaving the application site. Do not allow people or pets to contact contaminated areas or to reoccupy contaminated areas of the structure until the clean up is completed.

- Prior to drilling and treating through concrete structures, such as patios, porches, sidewalks and foundation slabs applicator should first determine that there are no habitable areas below that could be unintentionally contaminated by the treatment.
- Only protected applicators wearing personal protective equipment as required by this product label may be in the area during application.
- All holes in commonly occupied areas into which this termiticide / insecticide product has been applied must be plugged. Plugs must be of a non-cellulose material or covered by an impervious, non-cellulose material.
- Do not apply finished dilution of this product until all heating/air conditioning ducts, air vents, plumbing pipes, sewer lines, floor drains, heating pipes and electrical lines/conduits are known and identified. Do not puncture or contaminate any of these.

- Do not treat within a distance of one foot out from the drip line of edible plants.
- Do not contaminate public and private water supplies.
- Do not make treatments while precipitation is occurring.
- Do not treat soil that is water-saturated or frozen.
- Use anti-backflow or air gap equipment with filling hoses.

# **General Information**

When used in accordance with the directions in this label, this product provides effective prevention and/or control of subterranean termites. This product must be applied in manner which provides a continuous treated zone to effectively prevent termites from infesting wood.

This product may only be applied by licensed technicians familiar with trenching, rodding, short rodding, sub-slab injection, low-pressure banded surface applications and foam delivery techniques. This product is a highly effective termiticide against a variety of subterranean termites including species of *Reticulitermes*, *Zootermopsis*, *Heterotermes*, and *Coptotermes*.

Taurus SC is formulated as a water-based suspension concentrate liquid containing 9.1% active ingredient.

# Mixing Instructions

To mix Taurus SC termiticide / insecticide:

- 1. Fill the tank 1/4 to 1/3 full with water. The filling hose must be equipped with an anti-backflow device or water flow must include an air gap to protect against back siphoning.
- 2. Start the pump to begin by-pass agitation and place the end of the treating tool in the tank to allow circulation through the hose.
- 3. Add the appropriate amount of Taurus SC required to prepare the desired dilution.
- 4. Add the remaining water.
- 5. Continue to run the pump allowing recirculation through the hose back into the tank until the Taurus SC is completely dispersed.
  - To mix a 0.06% dilution, add 0.8 fluid ounces of Taurus SC per gallon of finished dilution.
  - To mix a 0.09% dilution, add 1.2 fluid ounces of Taurus SC per gallon of finished dilution.
  - To mix a 0.125% dilution, add 1.6 fluid ounces of Taurus SC per gallon of finished dilution.

# Application Rates for Termiticide Use

For most applications, use the 0.06% dilution and apply at a rate of 4 gallons of dilution per 10 linear feet per foot of depth. For example, for treatment of 10 linear feet with a four-foot depth, use  $4 \times 4$  (16) gallons per 10 linear feet. Do not apply at a concentration less than 0.06%.

Where severe termite infestations occur, where problem soils occur or where difficult or problem

construction types are encountered, it may be advisable to use either 0.09% or 0.125% concentration. Apply the higher concentration at a rate of 4 gallons of solution per 10 linear feet per foot of depth. For example, for treatment of 10 linear feet with a four-foot depth, use 16 (4 x 4) gallons per 10 linear feet.

In dense soil that will not accept a volume of 4 gallons per linear foot per foot of depth, use the 0.125% dilution, and apply at a rate of 2 gallons per 10 linear feet per foot of depth. For example, for treatment of 10 linear feet with a four-foot depth, use 8 (2 x 4) gallons per 10 linear feet. When using the lower volume of application, be careful to maintain a continuous treated zone. If application requires drilling, drill holes less than 12" apart to maintain a continuous treated zone.

# **PRE-CONSTRUCTION TREATMENT**

In advance of treatment, applicators must notify the general contractor, construction superintendent, or other responsible personnel of the intended Taurus SC application and the intended sites of application. Applicators must instruct the person responsible to notify construction workers and other individuals on site to vacate the treatment area and not to return until Taurus SC has been absorbed into the soil. Do not apply at a dosage and/or concentration lower than 0.06% for applications up to and including installation of the final grade.

#### **General Information**

Pre-construction treatments include any treatment made during all phases of construction up to and including installation of the final grade. Establishing a thorough and complete horizontal and vertical treated zone will provide effective pre-construction termite control.

When foundations are deeper than 4 feet, it is preferable to apply Taurus SC as the backfill is being replaced. If the backfill is already in place, the applicator must trench and rod into the trench or trench along the foundation walls, around pillars and other foundation elements, at the rate prescribed from grade to a minimum depth of 4 feet. When trenching in sloping or tiered soil, the trench must be stepped to ensure adequate distribution and to prevent Taurus SC from running out of the trench. When the top of the footing is exposed, the soil adjacent to the footing must be treated to a depth not to exceed the bottom of the footing. Never treat any structure below the footing.

# Concrete Slab (Including Monolithic, Floating and Supported Concrete Slabs) on Ground or in Basements and Crawl Spaces

**Horizontal treated zones:** Apply an overall treatment of Taurus SC to the entire surface to be covered by the concrete slab. This includes living area, as well as carports, porches, basement floors, and any extended entrances. Apply this treatment at the rate of 1 to 1.5 gallons of finished dilution per 10 square feet using a coarse spray nozzle and low-pressure spray (less than 25 p.s.i.). Spray the dilution evenly and uniformly over the entire area to be treated. If the slab is not to be poured the same day as treatment, cover the treated soil with a waterproof barrier such as polyethylene sheeting.

**Vertical treated zones:** Apply Taurus SC at a rate of 1 gallon of finished dilution per square foot around anything penetrating the slab such as utility service and plumbing lines. Apply Taurus SC at a rate of 4 gallons of finished dilution per 10 linear feet per foot of depth along the inside and outside perimeter of foundation walls. The applicator must trench and rod into the trench or trench along the foundation walls and around pillars and other foundation elements. If the footing is more than 4 feet below grade, make this treatment to a minimum of 4 feet below grade. A trench need not be any wider than 6 inches. Treat the soil which will be replaced into the trench using a low-pressure spray (not more than 25 p.s.i. at the nozzle). When rodding from grade or from the bottom of a shallow trench, space the rod holes no more than 12 inches apart in a manner which will create a continuous treated zone.

It is highly recommended that a complete horizontal treated zone be created prior to the slab pour. However, if the slab was poured before a horizontal treatment could be made, refer to the "Post-Construction" section of this label for alternate application instructions.

#### **Hollow Block Foundations or Voids**

Create a continuous treatment zone by treating hollow block foundations or voids in masonry resting atop the footing. If voids in the masonry elements are not openly accessible, drill and treat into these voids by applying 2 gallons of finished dilution per 10 linear feet of footing using a nozzle pressure of 25 p.s.i. or lower. When using this treatment, drill the access holes as close to the footing as is practical. Drilling below the sill plate is acceptable. Applicators must examine the treated areas of voids in block or rubble foundation walls closely for possible runoff as a precaution against application leakage. Mechanical alteration to some areas may be required before a treatment can be made. Other areas may not be treatable.

All leaks resulting during the application of Taurus SC in locations other than those prescribed on this label must be cleaned up before leaving the application site. Do not allow people or pets to come in contact with contaminated areas or allow them to reoccupy the treatment site until the clean up is completed.

#### Not for use in voids insulated with rigid foam.

#### **Use with Other Products**

When a borate-based termite control product has been chosen as the primary pre-construction treatment for subterranean termites and is applied in accordance with the directions for use on the borate product's label, Taurus SC may be used as an exterior perimeter pre-construction treatment. For an exterior perimeter pre-construction treatment, Taurus SC must be applied in such a way as to create a continuous treated zone along the exterior foundation of the structure. A complete and thorough horizontal pre-construction treatment with Taurus SC under the concrete slab is optional.

Taurus SC may also be applied to critical areas of the interior of the structure including around plumbing or utility services penetrating floors, bath and / or shower traps, or along concrete expansion joints, and other areas of known or suspected termite activity.

Refer to the "POST-CONSTRUCTION EXTERIOR PERIMETER / LOCALIZED INTERIOR (EP / LI) STRUCTURAL TERMITE TREATMENT" section of this label for instructions on applications to the exterior perimeter of a structure and to critical areas in the interior of the structure.

# POST-CONSTRUCTION CONVENTIONAL STRUCTURAL TERMITE TREATMENT

#### **General Information**

For applications of Taurus SC made after the final grade is installed to protect the structure from termite infestation and/or to control existing termite populations, the applicator must trench and rod into the trench or trench along the foundation walls, around pillars and other foundation elements, at the rate prescribed from grade to the top of the footing. When the footing is more than 4 feet below grade, treat to a minimum depth of four feet. The depth of treatment will vary depending on soil type, degree of compaction and location of termite activity. When the top of the footing is exposed, the soil adjacent to the footing must be treated to a depth not to exceed the bottom of the footing. Never treat any structure below the footing.

To establish a complete exterior perimeter treatment zone along the foundation wall, drill any exterior concrete structures adjoining the foundation, such as patios, porches and sidewalks, and treat by sub-slab injection of Taurus SC finished dilution.

Before treatment, locate and identify all heating or air conditioning vents and ducts, water and sewer plumbing lines, electrical lines and conduits, and avoid contamination or damage to these structural elements.

#### Concrete Slab Over Soil (Including Monolithic, Floating and Supported Slabs)

**Exterior perimeter:** Apply by trenching and rodding into the trench or by trenching along the foundation walls at the rate of 4 gallons of finished dilution per 10 linear feet per foot of depth, or, if the footing is more than 4 feet below grade treat to a minimum depth of 4 feet. Trenches need not be wider than 6 inches and must be a minimum of 6 inches deep or to the bottom of the footing. Never treat a structure below the footing. Space the rod holes no more than 12 inches apart in a manner which will create a continuous treated zone. Mix the finished dilution into the soil before replacing it into the trench.

**Sub-slab injection:** Sub-slab injection treatments can be made from inside the structure, or in cases where this is not possible, from the outside of the structure by drilling through the foundation as directed below. Before treatment, locate and identify all heating or air conditioning vents and ducts, water and sewer plumbing lines, electrical lines and conduits, and avoid contamination or damage to these structural elements.

**Vertical drilling / injection:** Make treatments under the slab by drilling vertically through the slab along the interior perimeter of the foundation including the garage. Drill holes along all concrete expansion joints, cracks, plumbing and utility services penetrating the slab. Drill holes along interior partition walls when there is clear evidence of termite activity or damage. Space all drill-holes no more than 12 inches apart in a manner which will create a continuous treated zone. Inject the finished dilution of Taurus SC into the drill-holes at a rate of 4 gallons per 10 linear feet per foot of depth. When making applications, use a lateral dispersal nozzle to achieve the best results. After treatment, all holes in commonly occupied areas must be plugged with a non-cellulose material or covered with an impervious, non-cellulose material.

**Horizontal drilling / rodding / sub-slab injection from the exterior of the foundation:** Use this technique to treat underneath the slab only when floors or interior design do not allow for treatment by vertical drilling. Care must be taken not to rod into heating or air conditioning vents and ducts, water and sewer plumbing lines, electrical lines and conduits. Use horizontal short rodding practices to create a continuous treated zone into the soil proximal to the inside of the foundation wall. Angle drill-holes through the outside of the foundation to ensure deposition of Taurus SC below any existing heating ducts, water and sewer lines, or electrical conduits. Use horizontal long rodding practices only when the areas to be treated underneath the slab are not accessible by vertical rodding or horizontal short rodding. Do not use long rods exceeding 20 feet. For all horizontal rodding applications space drill-holes no more than 12 inches apart in a manner which will create a continuous treated zone. Inject the finished dilution of Taurus SC into the drill-holes a rate of 4 gallons per 10 linear feet per foot of depth. All holes must be plugged with a non-cellulose material or covered by and impervious, non-cellulose material. **Bath traps:** Treat exposed soil or soil covered with tar or similar sealants beneath or around plumbing and/or drain pipe entry areas with a minimum of 1 gallon but not more than 4 gallons of finished dilution

per square foot. It may be necessary to remove tar or sealant to ensure adequate soil penetration. Install an access door or inspection portal if one is not already present. After inspection and removal of all wood or cellulose debris, treat the soil by rodding or drenching with the finished dilution of Taurus SC. **Shower drains:** To treat the soil beneath and adjacent to shower pan drains, drill through the slab adjacent to the shower pan and apply the finished dilution of Taurus SC by sub-slab injection. Foam can be used to maximize dispersion. Drill multiple access points adjacent to the drain, and use a directional dispersion tip to enhance the treatment of the soil beneath the drain. Treat with a minimum of 1 gallon but not more than 4 gallons of finished dilution per shower drain. Horizontal rodding can be used to access and treat soil associated with the shower drain.

# Structures with French Drains and Sump Pumps

In sites where French drains exist at the footer along the foundation perimeter, common in hollow block foundation structures, the soil must be dry before applications can be made. Do not treat soil that is saturated or frozen. Do not make treatments while precipitation is occurring. To prevent seepage of finished dilution or damage to drains or tiles, do not rod through the slab any closer than 24 inches from French drains. Do not apply Taurus SC within 5 feet from the sump pump pit and pump. Do not drill through hollow block foundations that border French drains to prevent drainage or seepage from the block into the drains.

Identify and locate French drains, then apply Taurus SC in the following manner:

- 1) Unplug the sump pump. Inspect the sump pit for water. If no water is present, keep the sump pump unplugged while making the treatment.
- 2) If water is in the pump pit, unplug the sump pump and remove four cups of water from the pit. Mark the water level. Wait 10 minutes then check the water level in the pit. If the water level has risen, there is too much seepage to make a treatment. If the water level has not risen, a treatment can be made as long as the sump pump remains unplugged.

During application, check the sump pump pit every few minutes for the presence of termiticide dilution. If dilution is detected, stop the treatment immediately and remove all dilution from the pump pit before plugging the pump back in. Dispose of the dilution from the sump pump pit as directed by this label in the "Storage and Disposal" section.

# **Basement Structures**

**Exterior perimeter:** Apply by trenching and rodding into the trench or by trenching along the foundation walls at the rate of 4 gallons of finished dilution of Taurus SC per 10 linear feet per foot of depth, or, if the footing is more than 4 feet below grade treat to a minimum depth of 4 feet. Trenches need not be wider than 6 inches and must be a minimum of 6 inches deep or to the bottom of the footing. When trenching in sloping or tiered soil, the trench must be stepped to ensure adequate distribution and to prevent Taurus SC from running out of the trench. Never treat a structure below the footing. Space the rod holes no more than 12 inches apart in a manner which will create a continuous treated zone. Mix the finished dilution into the soil before replacing it into the trench.

**Inside perimeter:** To treat under the basement floor slab, drill vertically through the slab along the interior perimeter of the foundation. Drill holes along all concrete expansion joints, cracks, and any plumbing or utility services penetrating the slab. Drill holes along both sides of partition foundation walls, and around piers. Where there is clear evidence of termite activity in a non-foundation interior partition wall, drill holes through the slab adjacent to the wall along one side. Space all drill-holes no more than 12 inches apart in a manner which will create a continuous treated zone. Inject the finished dilution of Taurus SC into the drill-holes at the rate of 4 gallons per 10 linear feet per foot of depth. When making applications, use a lateral dispersal nozzle to achieve the best results. After treatment, all holes in commonly occupied areas must be plugged with a non-cellulose material or covered with an impervious, non-cellulose material.

# Accessible Crawl Space Construction

Before treatment turn off any air circulation equipment that moves air from the area to be treated to any untreated interior space of the structure. Do not turn the air circulation system back on until the application of Taurus SC is completed and has been absorbed into the soil.

Treat crawl spaces by applying a vertical Taurus SC termiticide treatment at the rate of 4 gallons of finished dilution per 10 linear feet per foot of depth from grade to the top of the footing, or, if the footing is more than 4 feet below grade treat to a minimum depth of 4 feet. Apply by trenching, or by trenching and rodding into the trench. Treat both sides of foundation and around all piers and pipes. In areas where physical obstructions exist that prevent trenching, such as concrete walkways adjacent to the foundation,

apply by rodding alone. Where soil type and/or conditions make trenching impossible, apply by rodding. When the top of the footing is exposed, treat the soil adjacent to the footing to a depth not to exceed the bottom of the footing. Read and follow the mixing directions in the "Mixing Instructions" section of this label when encountering soil types which will not accept the full application volume.

- Rod holes and trenches must not extend beneath the bottom of the footing.
- Space the rod holes no more than 12 inches apart in a manner which will create a continuous treated zone.
- Trenches need not be wider than 6 inches and must be a minimum of 6 inches deep or to the bottom of the footing. When trenching in sloping or tiered soil, the trench must be stepped to ensure adequate distribution and to prevent Taurus SC from running out of the trench. Mix the finished dilution into the soil before replacing it into the trench.

#### Inaccessible Crawl Space Construction

Before treatment turn off any air circulation equipment that moves air from the area to be treated to any untreated interior space of the structure. Do not turn the air circulation system back on until the application of Taurus SC is completed and has been absorbed into the soil.

For any inaccessible interior areas, for example where the clearance between the floor joists and ground surfaces do no allow for operator access, excavate, if possible, and follow the instructions for accessible crawl spaces. When excavation is not possible, apply one or a combination of the following two methods:

- Establish a horizontal treated zone by applying 1 gallon of finished dilution of Taurus SC with a coarse application nozzle (e.g., Delavan Type RD Raindrop, RD-7 or larger, or Spraying Systems Co. 80110LP Teejet or comparable nozzle) per 10 square feet of soil surface using a nozzle pressure of less than 25 p.s.i. For any area which cannot be reached with the application wand, use one or more extension rods. Do not broadcast or power spray with high pressures.
- 2) Establish a horizontal treated zone by drilling through the foundation wall or through the floor above and treat the soil adjacent to the foundation at a rate of 1 gallon of finished dilution of Taurus SC per 10 square feet. Drill spacing must not exceed 16 inches between drill-holes. Many states have smaller interval requirements so check state regulations before application. Treat the soil adjacent to foundation elements with short or long rodding techniques without drilling if it is possible to reach the soil to be treated with the treatment tool.

#### **Hollow Block Foundations / Voids**

Establish a continuous treated zone in hollow block foundations or voids in masonry resting on top of the footing by drilling and treating into voids of multiple masonry elements of the structure to soil level. If not openly accessible, drill and treat into voids of masonry elements. Apply 2 gallons of finished dilution per 10 linear feet of footing at a nozzle pressure of 25 p.s.i. or less. When making this treatment, drill access holes as close as possible to the footing, below the level of the sill plate if necessary. Applicators must examine the treated areas for possible runoff as a precaution against application leakage. Mechanical alteration to some areas may be required before a treatment can be made. Other areas may not be treatable.

All leaks resulting during the application of Taurus SC in locations other than those prescribed on this label must be cleaned up before leaving the application site. Do not allow people or pets to come in contact with contaminated areas until the clean up is completed.

# Not for use in voids insulated with rigid foam.

# **Treatment of Structures with Wells or Cisterns**

#### Do not contaminate wells or cisterns.

Do not apply Taurus SC within 5 feet of any well or cistern. Treat soil 5 to 10 feet from any well or cistern by backfill method only. Treat soil adjacent to water pipes within 3 feet of grade by backfill method only. **Backfill method**:

- 1) Trench to remove the soil to be treated and place it into a wheelbarrow or onto heavy plastic sheeting or similar material.
- 2) Treat the soil at a rate of 4 gallons of finished dilution of Taurus SC per 10 linear feet per foot of trench depth, or at a rate of 1 gallon per cubic foot of soil. Mix the Taurus SC thoroughly into soil while taking care to prevent runoff or spillage.
- 3) After the treated soil has completely absorbed the finished dilution of Taurus SC, put it back into the trench.

# Structures Adjacent to Wells / Cisterns and / or Other Bodies of Water

Prior to application examine any structure with nearby sources of water such as wells, cisterns, ponds, streams or other bodies of water, then follow the treatment procedures described below.

- If the pipe(s) from the well enter the structure with 3 feet of grade, expose them is possible prior to treatment. Treat the soil adjacent to the water pipe(s) using the backfill method described above.
- 2) Take precautions, prior to treatment, to limit the risk of Taurus SC being applied into subsurface drains which empty into any bodies of water, including evaluating whether treatment of the footer could result in contamination of subsurface drains. Take into consideration such factors as depth to the drain system, soil type and degree of soil compaction when determining the depth of treatment.
- 3) Use the treated backfill method, when appropriate (e.g., on the water side of the structure), to minimize off-site movement of Taurus SC.
- 4) To minimize potential runoff of Taurus SC into non-target areas, apply a finished dilution of 0.125% at a rate of 2 gallons per 10 linear feet per foot of depth.

# **Plenum Construction**

Before treatment turn off any air circulation equipment that moves air from the area to be treated to any untreated interior space of the structure. Do not turn the air circulation system back on until the application of Taurus SC is completed and has been absorbed into the soil.

Treat the soil exterior to the foundation walls according to the instructions in the "Accessible Crawl Space Construction" section of this label.

Follow the instructions below for interior treatment of plenum structures that use a sealed under floor space to circulate heated or cooled air throughout the structure:

- Remove sealing fabric and anything on the sealing fabric to expose no more than an 18 inch width adjacent to all foundation structures, including foundation walls, interior piers, pipes and any other structures in contact with soil. Treat according to the instructions for exterior and interior treatment in the "Accessible Crawl Space Construction" section of this label.
- After the finished dilution of Taurus SC has been absorbed into the soil, return the sealing fabric and anything removed from the surface of the sealing fabric to their original pre-treatment positions.

#### **Foam Application**

When construction practices, soil subsidence, or other factors make it difficult to establish a continuous treated zone with conventional liquid application methods, supplement treat with the use of foamgenerating equipment. Foam applications are useful in the treatment of filled stoops and porches, chimney bases, into block voids, behind masonry or other veneers, and into stud walls. Utilize applications of dry foam only (a range of 15:1 to 50:1 expansion ratio) when treating voids in stud walls. Apply foam to wall voids where evidence of termite presence or damage exist or are suspected. Foam only treatments under slabs are appropriate when maximum horizontal coverage is desired In areas with no deep foundation or footing (for example: around plumbing entries and near settlement cracks in concrete slabs). Use both conventional liquid application and foam treatment in areas where both lateral spread and deeper vertical penetration of Taurus SC are desired. Effective treatment is highly dependent on volume and amount of active ingredient. Apply at least 75% of the finished dilution of Taurus SC as a liquid treatment, then deliver the remaining 25% or less to the appropriate areas as a foam application. The total amount of product applied as a combined foam and liquid treatment should be equivalent to volume of Taurus SC liquid finished dilution required for a liquid application alone. Foam applications provide a good supplement to liquid applications in difficult to treat areas. Foam mixing instructions:

Prepare the desired finished dilution of Taurus SC, then mix with the manufacturer's recommended quantity of foaming agent in foaming equipment. Apply a sufficient volume of Taurus SC foam to establish a continuous treated zone at the rates recommended in this label for specific applications. When sufficient foam volume cannot be applied to achieve the recommended rate of Taurus SC ,supplement the treatment with additional liquid finished dilution to assure appropriate treatment volume and concentration in the treated area.

- 1 gallon of finished dilution at a foam expansion ratio of 25:1 makes 25 gallons of foam.
- 1.66 gallons of finished dilution at a foam expansion ratio of 15:1 makes 25 gallons of foam.
- 2.5 gallons of finished dilution at a foam expansion ratio of 10:1 makes 25 gallons of foam.

• 5 gallons of finished dilution at a foam expansion ratio of 5:1 makes 25 gallons of foam.

#### POST-CONSTRUCTION EXTERIOR PERIMETER / LOCALIZED INTERIOR (EP / LI) STRUCTURAL TERMITE TREATMENT – Not approved for use in Louisiana

#### **General Information**

This post-construction application of Taurus SC can be made after the final grade is installed to protect the structure from termite infestation and/or to control existing termite populations. This treatment method is designed to be non-invasive to the interior of the structure with the establishment of a continuous treated zone along the exterior of the foundation and only treating interior spaces where termite activity has been found. If you have questions regarding this treatment, consult the appropriate state agency.

Termite activity is defined as the presence of one or more of the following signs of infestation:

- 1) Alates (winged termites) have swarmed inside the structure.
- 2) Live termites are found to be active within the structure.
- 3) There is clear evidence of termite activity on or inside the structure such as the presence of mud tubes, galleries in wood.

Do not apply Taurus SC finished dilution as perimeter / localized interior treatment at a concentration lower than 0.06% or at an application volume lower than those specified in the "Application Rates for Termiticide Use" section of this label.

# EXTERIOR PERIMETER TREATMENT

To prevent termite infestation of a structure, exterior perimeter applications of Taurus SC must be made in a manner which will create a continuous treated zone. If situations are encountered where the soil will not accept the full application volume recommended in the use directions below, read and follow the direction in the "Application Rates for Termiticide Use" section of this label.

#### Concrete Slab on Ground (Including Monolithic, Floating and Supported Concrete Slabs)

Apply along the exterior foundation perimeter by trenching and rodding into the trench or by trenching at the rate of 4 gallons of finished dilution per 10 linear feet per foot of depth. Trenches need not be wider than 6 inches and must be a minimum of 6 inches deep or to the bottom of the footing. Space the rod holes no more than 12 inches apart in a manner which will create a continuous treated zone. Mix the finished dilution into the soil before replacing it into the trench.

In areas where physical obstructions exist that prevent trenching, such as concrete walkways adjacent to the foundation, apply by rodding alone. Where soil type and/or conditions make trenching impossible, apply by rodding. In order to establish a complete exterior perimeter treatment zone, drilling and sub-slab treatment will be necessary wherever adjoining concrete structures exist such as patios, porches or sidewalks. For driveways, exterior drilling is necessary only around building supports or wall elements permanently located at driveway joints. Never treat a structure below the footing.

#### Basement and Inaccessible Crawl Space Construction

Apply along the exterior foundation perimeter by trenching and rodding into the trench or by trenching along the foundation walls at the rate of 4 gallons of finished dilution of Taurus SC per 10 linear feet per foot of depth, or, if the footing is more than 4 feet below grade treat to a minimum depth of 4 feet. Trenches need not be wider than 6 inches and must be a minimum of 6 inches deep or to the bottom of the footing. When trenching in sloping or tiered soil, the trench must be stepped to ensure adequate distribution and to prevent Taurus SC from running out of the trench. Space the rod holes no more than 12 inches apart in a manner which will create a continuous treated zone. Mix the finished dilution into the soil before replacing it into the trench. Never treat a structure below the footing.

In areas where physical obstructions exist that prevent trenching, such as concrete walkways adjacent to the foundation, apply by rodding alone. Where soil type and/or conditions make trenching impossible, apply by rodding. In order to establish a complete exterior perimeter treatment zone, drilling and sub-slab treatment will be necessary wherever adjoining concrete structures exist such as patios, porches or sidewalks. For driveways, exterior drilling is necessary only around building supports or wall elements permanently located at driveway joints. Never treat a structure below the footing.

If termite activity is detected inside an inaccessible crawl space, the area must be treated. Make a localized interior treatment at the site of termite activity and extending at least 2 feet in both directions from the activity. Choose the appropriate application technique for treating inaccessible crawl space construction by referring to the "POST-CONSTRUCTION CONVENTIONAL STRUCTURAL TERMITE TREATMENT" section of this label.

#### Accessible Crawl Spaces

Before treatment turn off any air circulation equipment that moves air from the area to be treated to any untreated interior space of the structure. Do not turn the air circulation system back on until the application of Taurus SC is completed and has been absorbed into the soil.

Treat crawl spaces by applying a vertical Taurus SC termiticide treatment at the rate of 4 gallons of finished dilution per 10 linear feet per foot of depth from grade to the top of the footing, or, if the footing is more than 4 feet below grade treat to a minimum depth of 4 feet. Apply by trenching, or by trenching and rodding into the trench. Treat outside of foundation and around all piers and pipes. In areas where physical obstructions exist that prevent trenching, such as concrete walkways adjacent to the foundation, apply by rodding alone. Where soil type and/or conditions make trenching impossible, apply by rodding. When the top of the footing is exposed, treat the soil adjacent to the footing to a depth not to exceed the bottom of the footing. In order to establish a complete exterior perimeter treatment zone, drilling and subslab treatment will be necessary wherever adjoining concrete structures exist such as patios, porches or sidewalks. If situations are encountered where the soil will not accept the full application volume recommended in the use directions below, read and follow the direction in the "Application Rates for Termiticide Use" section of this label.

- Rod holes and trenches must not extend beneath the bottom of the footing.
- Space the rod holes no more than 12 inches apart in a manner which will create a continuous treated zone.
- Trenches need not be wider than 6 inches and must be a minimum of 6 inches deep or to the bottom of the footing. When trenching in sloping or tiered soil, the trench must be stepped to ensure adequate distribution and to prevent Taurus SC from running out of the trench. Mix the finished dilution into the soil before replacing it into the trench.

Garages: Attached garage floors should be treated

**Sub-slab injection:** Sub-slab injection treatments can be made from inside the garage, or in cases where this is not possible, from the outside of the structure by drilling through the foundation as directed below. Before treatment, locate and identify all heating or air conditioning vents and ducts, water and sewer plumbing lines, electrical lines and conduits, and avoid contamination or damage to these structural elements.

**Vertical drilling / injection:** Make treatments under the slab by drilling vertically through the slab along the interior perimeter of the garage foundation. Drill holes along all concrete expansion joints, cracks, plumbing and utility services penetrating the slab. Drill holes along interior partition walls when there is clear evidence of termite activity or damage. Space all drill-holes no more than 12 inches apart in a manner which will create a continuous treated zone. Inject the finished dilution of Taurus SC into the drill-holes at a rate of 4 gallons per 10 linear feet per foot of depth. When making applications, use a lateral dispersal nozzle to achieve the best results. After treatment, all holes in commonly occupied areas must be plugged with a non-cellulose material or covered with an impervious, non-cellulose material such as Portland cement.

**Horizontal drilling / rodding / sub-slab injection from the exterior of the garage foundation:** Use this technique to treat underneath the slab only when interior design do not allow for treatment by vertical drilling. Care must be taken not to rod into heating or air conditioning vents and ducts, water and sewer plumbing lines, electrical lines and conduits. Use horizontal short rodding practices to create a continuous treated zone along the inside perimeter of the foundation. Angle drill-holes through the outside of the foundation to ensure deposition of Taurus SC below any existing heating ducts, water and sewer lines, or electrical conduits. Use horizontal long rodding practices only when the areas to be treated underneath the slab are not accessible by vertical rodding or horizontal short rodding. Do not use long rods exceeding 20 feet. For all horizontal rodding applications space drill-holes no more than 12 inches apart in a manner which will create a continuous treated zone. Inject the finished dilution of Taurus SC into the drill-holes at rate of 4 gallons per 10 linear feet per foot of depth. All holes must be plugged with a non-cellulose material or covered by an impervious, non-cellulose material such as Portland cement.

# LOCALIZED INTERIOR TREATMENT

As part of a complete treatment, targeted interior applications may be made to vulnerable areas such as around plumbing or utility services penetrating floors, bath and / or shower traps, or along concrete expansion joints or settlement cracks.

If know termite activity exists in areas inside living spaces or in non-living spaces (such as crawl spaces, plenums etc.) of the structure, a localized interior treatment must be made at the immediate vicinity of the termite activity and radiating out at least 2 feet from the site in two or more directions.

# Hollow Block Foundations / Voids

When termite activity is evident in or in the vicinity (within 2 feet) of hollow block foundations or voids in masonry resting on the footing, drill the wall adjacent to the evidence, if not openly accessible, and inject the finished dilution of Taurus SC into the void at a rate of 2 gallons per 10 linear feet of footing using a nozzle of 25 p.s.i. or less. This localized interior treatment to hollow block must be made at the site of the termite activity and to areas above the termite activity. Treatment must be applied radiating out at least 2 feet in two or more directions from the site of activity or along the wall pier or support post. Use of foam will maximize dispersion. When using this treatment, drill access hole below the sill plate as close as possible to the footing as is practical.

Applicators must examine the treated areas of voids in block or rubble foundation walls closely for possible runoff as a precaution against application leakage. Mechanical alteration to some areas may be required before a treatment can be made. Other areas may not be treatable.

All leaks resulting during the application of Taurus SC in locations other than those prescribed on this label must be cleaned up before leaving the application site. Do not allow people or pets to come in contact with contaminated areas or allow them to reoccupy the treatment site until the clean up is completed.

The drilled holes in commonly occupied areas must be plugged with a non-cellulose material or covered by an impervious, non-cellulose material such as Portland cement.

# **Bath Traps**

If termite activity is evident within 2 feet of a bath trap, exposed soil or soil covered with tar or a similar sealant around plumbing and / or drainpipe entry areas must be treated. Tar or sealant may have to be removed to ensure adequate soil penetration. Install an access door or inspection portal if one is not already present. After all wood and cellulose debris is removed, treat the soil by rodding or drenching with a minimum of 1 gallon to a maximum of 4 gallons of finished dilution of Taurus SC per square foot.

# **Shower Drains**

If termite activity is evident within 2 feet of a shower drain, soil beneath and adjacent to he drain must be treated. Drill through the slab adjacent to the shower drain and apply the finished dilution of Taurus SC by sub-slab injection to the soil below. Multiple access points may be drilled adjacent to the drain. Use of foam will maximize dispersion. Use of a directional dispersion tip will further enhance the treatment of the soil beneath the drain. Treat the soil with a minimum of 1 gallon but no more than 4 gallons of finished dilution per shower drain. Horizontal rodding can also be used to access and treat soil associated with a shower drain.

# **Retreatment Instructions**

Annual retreatment of a structure is prohibited. Retreatment for subterranean termites can only be performed under the following circumstances:

- 1. There is clear evidence of re-infestation.
- 2. There is disruption of the treated zone due to construction, excavation, or landscaping and / or there is evidence of the breakdown of termiticide treated zone in the soil.

Treat these vulnerable or re-infested areas using a spot, partial or complete treatment in accordance with the application techniques described in this label. The timing and selection of retreatment type will vary depending on such factors as termite pressure, soil types and conditions, and other factors which may reduce the effectiveness of the treated zone.

# POSTS, POLES, WOODEN LANDSCAPE ORNAMENTATION

Do not contaminate wells or cisterns.

**For preventative treatment:** Create a continuous treatment zone in the soil around wooden posts, poles, fence posts, signs and landscaping ornamentation. Apply the finished dilution of Taurus SC at the rate of 4 gallons per 10 linear feet per foot of depth. When performing the treatment at the time of installation, the finished dilution may be applied to the soil as it is replaced around the pole or post. The application

should place termiticide to a depth of 6 inches below the bottom of posts, poles or other wooden objects in contact with soil.

**For a curative treatment:** Treat previously installed wooden posts, poles, fence posts, signs and landscaping ornamentation with the finished dilution of Taurus SC by sub-surface injection or by gravity flow through holes made at the bottom of a trench around posts and poles. When trenching, the trench need not be wider than 6 inches and should be 6 inches deep. When sub-surface injecting, treat all sides to create a continuous treatment zone. Apply termiticide to a depth of 6 inches below the bottom of the wood.

# TERMITES ABOVE GROUND

#### For Control of Termite Aerial Colonies or Drywood Termites

To treat localized areas of wooden structures, apply the finished dilution of Taurus SC to wooden members / voids. To treat inaccessible areas, drill and inject the finished dilution into the damaged wood of void spaces with a crack and crevice injector. Foam application can also be made into void spaces. To treat termite carton nests in trees or building voids, inject the finished dilution of Taurus SC using a pointed injection tool. Multiple injection points to varying depths may be necessary. Physically remove carton nest material from building voids when such nests are found.

After treatment, the applicator is required to check for leaks resulting in the deposition of Taurus SC in locations other than those prescribed on this label. When found, this material must be cleaned up before leaving the application site. Do not allow people or pets to come in contact with contaminated areas or allow them to reoccupy the treatment site until the clean up is completed. **DO NOT TREAT FRUIT- OR NUT-BEARING TREES.** 

#### NOT TREAT FROM- OR NOT-BEARING TREES.

#### DIRECTIONS FOR USE TO CONTROL PERIMETER PESTS

#### **USE RESTRICTIONS:**

- Only applicators wearing the personal protective equipment required by this product label may be in the area during application.
- Do not treat within a distance of 1 foot out from the dripline of edible plants.
- Do not contaminate public or private water supplies.
- Do not apply to wasp or hornet nests if they are not attached to or within the structure.
- Do not make treatments during times of precipitation.
- Do not allow residents, children, other people or pets into the treatment area until sprays have dried. After treatment, the applicator is required to check for leaks resulting in the deposition of treatment dilution in locations other than those prescribed in this label. When found, this material must be cleaned prior to leaving the application site. Do not allow people or pets to contact contaminated areas or to reoccupy contaminated areas of the structure until clean up is completed.
- Do not spray air conditioning units or intake vents.
- Do not use indoors except for application into wall voids.
- Do not exceed the maximum of two applications per year.
- Do not apply to playground equipment and pet quarters.
- Do not apply to applications to runoff or drip from treated surfaces.
- Do not apply to boat houses, including their piers or pilings.

- Do not apply within 5 feet of wells or cisterns.
- Do not apply to French drains or other permeable drainage.
- Doors and windows adjacent to application site must be closed during surface application.
- Do not apply within 15 feet of bodies of fresh water; lakes, reservoirs, rivers, permanent streams, marshes, natural ponds and commercial fish ponds. A 15- foot buffer of uniform groundcover must exist between application zone and bodies of fresh water (uniform ground cover is defined as land which supports vegetation of greater than 2 inches in height throughout).
- Do not apply within 60 feet of estuarine bodies of water. Estuarine water bodies are brackish, tidal water bodies such as bays, mouths of rivers, salt marshes and lagoons.

# PERIMETER PEST TREATMENT

Use Taurus SC to kill and to provide residual control of the following pests: Ants (acrobat, Argentine, big-headed, carpenter, crazy, odorous, pavement, pharaoh, and thief)

Use Taurus SC to kill the following pests: Asian lady beetles, darkling beetles Australian, Oriental, and smoky brown cockroaches Black widow, brown recluse, cellar, and hobo spiders Box-elder bugs, pill bugs Brown and dog ticks Centipedes Cluster flies European earwigs House crickets Millipedes Paper wasps\* Silverfish Yellow jackets \* Taurus SC is not a knockdown agent.

# **Mixing Instructions**

For perimeter pest treatments mix a 0.06% spray dilution of Taurus SC by filling the treatment tank 1/4 to 1/3 full with water, then ad 0.8 fluid ounces of Taurus SC. The filling hose must be equipped with an antbackflow device or the water flow must include an air gap to protect against back siphoning. Add more water to the tank while agitating to 1 gallon of finished dilution.

Apply 0.06% of finished Taurus SC dilution as a low-pressure spray to the exterior of the structure where listed pests enter, trail around the structure or where they crawl and hide. Also apply around any exterior openings where listed pests could enter the structure such as around doors, windows, vents, pipes, foundation cracks or drilled holes. Make sure to treat the joint where exterior siding (wood, vinyl, aluminum or other similar materials) meets the cement, brick or block foundation. Treat anywhere electrical, cable or telephone wires enter the house. This treatment should be made as a general surface spray, crack and crevice spray, or a wall void application. Taurus SC may be applied as a foam treatment into wall voids to kill and / or control the above listed pests.

Apply 2 quarts of 0.06% finished spray of Taurus SC per 160 linear feet.

Refer to the "Foam Application" section of this label for specific foam mixing and application instructions. Except for foam applications made into wall voids, application is limited to an area 1 foot out from and 1 foot up from were the ground meets the foundation. Do not exceed a maximum of 2 applications per year. Nests are found on the ground within 1 foot of the foundation may be treated.

Vegetation touching the structure may offer a route for the entry of ants into the structure without coming into contact with the treatment; therefore, remove or prune away any shrubbery, bushes, and tree branches touching the structure.

# STORAGE AND DISPOSAL

Do not contaminate water, food or feed by storage or disposal. **Storage** 

Store unused product in original container only,out of reach of children and animals.

#### Pesticide Disposal

Pesticide wastes are acutely hazardous. Improper disposal of excess pesticide is a violation of Federal law. If these wastes cannot be disposed of by use according to label instructions, contact your State Pesticide or Environmental Control Agency, or the Hazardous Waste representative at the nearest EPA Regional Office for guidance.

#### Container Disposal

**Nonrefillable Container: Do not reuse or refill this container.** Triple rinse or pressure rinse container (or equivalent) promptly after emptying; then offer for recycling, if available, or reconditioning, if appropriate, or puncture and dispose of in a sanitary landfill, or by incineration, or by other procedures approved by state and local authorities.

**Triple rinse containers small enough to shake (capacity \leq 5 gallons) as follows:** Empty the remaining contents into application equipment or a mix tank and drain for 10 seconds after the flow begins to drip. Fill the container 1/4 full with water and recap. Shake for 10 seconds. Pour rinsate into application equipment or a mix tank, or store rinsate for later use or disposal. Drain for 10 seconds after the flow begins to drip. Repeat this procedure two more times.

**Pressure rinse as follows:** Empty the remaining contents into application equipment or mix tank. Hold container upside down over application equipment or mix tank, or collect rinsate for later use or disposal. Insert pressure rinsing nozzle in the side of the container and rinse at about 40 PSI for at least 30 seconds. Drain for 10 seconds after the flow begins to drip.

In case of minor spills or leaks, soak up with sand, earth or other suitable material and dispose of as pesticide waste.

# WARRANTY STATEMENT

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#### **Optional Marketing Language:**

- 78 oz. makes 100 gallons (for use on 78 oz container)
- 20 oz. makes 25 gallons (for use on 20 oz container)
- Contains Fipronil, the same active used in Termidor® SC

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