

# FIRE ANTS FOUND IN AREA

## HELP STOP THE SPREAD OF IMPORTED FIRE ANTS


This invasive species has been found in Albemarle County.



*Fire.ant;*  
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*Fire.ant.mound;*  
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- **Fire ants bite and sting repeatedly.** Their venom can cause severe allergic reactions in some individuals.
- **Fire ants attack when disturbed.** Their mounds may appear as flat areas of dirt or raised dirt piles with no visible opening.
- **If you find fire ants in Virginia, DO NOT DISTURB THE MOUNDS.** Disturbing them can trigger attacks or cause the colony to relocate.
- **Report fire ant sightings** to the Virginia Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services:
  - Report A Pest Tool 
  - Email [reportapest@vdacs.virginia.gov](mailto:reportapest@vdacs.virginia.gov)

