



United States Department  
of Agriculture

Animal and Plant Health  
Inspection Service

4700 River Road  
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## **CAUTION**

The ants you have received by a permitted commercial company are strictly regulated by the U.S. Department of Agriculture for distribution for educational purposes in your state. These ants pose risks to American agriculture and the environment if misused in violation of the permit conditions and instructions in this letter.

Your cooperation is essential to ensure proper disposal of ants when you are finished with your use.

**To protect American agriculture and the environment please follow these steps:**

- Do not distribute these ants to anybody else.
- Do not release the ants.
- To dispose of the received ants, place them in plastic bags and use one or more of the following methods: 1) immerse them in 10% Clorox solution for 8 hours, 2) pour rubbing alcohol into the plastic bag and wait one hour before dispose them, 3) place the ants in the bag in the freezer for 8 hours, 4) or microwave them for 1 minute prior to disposal.

If you have question about keeping, handling, or disposing these ants, please contact your supplier, APHIS-Plant Protection and Quarantine at (866) 524-5421, or [pest.permits@usda.gov](mailto:pest.permits@usda.gov)

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION AND  
ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS**