

# Cricket Bait



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## **Cricket Bait is an insecticide treated grain product for the control of black field crickets in pasture.**

Black field crickets pose a major threat to newly sown and established pastures in the northern areas of New Zealand over the summer/autumn period. Cricket Bait is highly palatable and has a rapid knockdown effect on the target pest.

### **Application:**

Cricket Bait has a recommended application rate of 11kg/ha and should be applied when adult black field crickets first appear in summer.

Applying Cricket Bait when numbers are low will help restrict the future egg population.

It is best to apply Cricket Bait in late afternoon prior to the crickets feeding in the evening.

Cricket Bait should be applied in settled weather as heavy rains can reduce product efficacy.

Populations greater than 10m<sup>2</sup> are considered economical to treat. To assess black field cricket populations, mix up a weak solution of household detergent in a container. Place a 1m<sup>2</sup> quadrant in pasture that is subject to cracking, then flush the solution down the cracks within the quadrant. This will force crickets out of the cracks.

Under high populations a second application of Cricket Bait may be required during the season.

*Note: As per ACVM regulations, the maximum number of Cricket Bait applications in any one season is two.*

### **Withholding Period:**

Stock should be withheld from treated pasture for a period of seven days after application of Cricket Bait.