



## Getting Better Value from your Sprayer

**More Pest Managers are finding there is value in maintaining the equipment they use to apply pesticides.**

**Application volumes can vary significantly if proper servicing and maintenance are not undertaken regularly.**

**Ongoing Successful applications require regular service and maintenance.**

### **Professionalism whilst carrying out a Pest Control Treatment**

- Maintaining Trigger seals will prevent leaking/ dripping from the triggers, minimising contact with chemicals and unwanted leaking outside the targeted spray area.
- Maintaining sprayer pressure and removing the air from the sprayer/ hose, will reduce splattering at the target area and produce a more even application.
- Specialised Battery-operated spray will assist with maintaining a constant pressure- meaning a more consistent targeted treated area.

### **Spray equipment maintenance is vital for professionalism and quality application.**

- Mixing insecticides within the same sprayer can have detrimental outcomes on your treatment. Equipment should be adequately cleaned if changing formulation types, products or actives. This will prevent residue from affecting the spray solution.
- Dirty inline filters can allow for AI catchment and mean the correct treatment isn't achieved

### **Equipment selection is critical!**

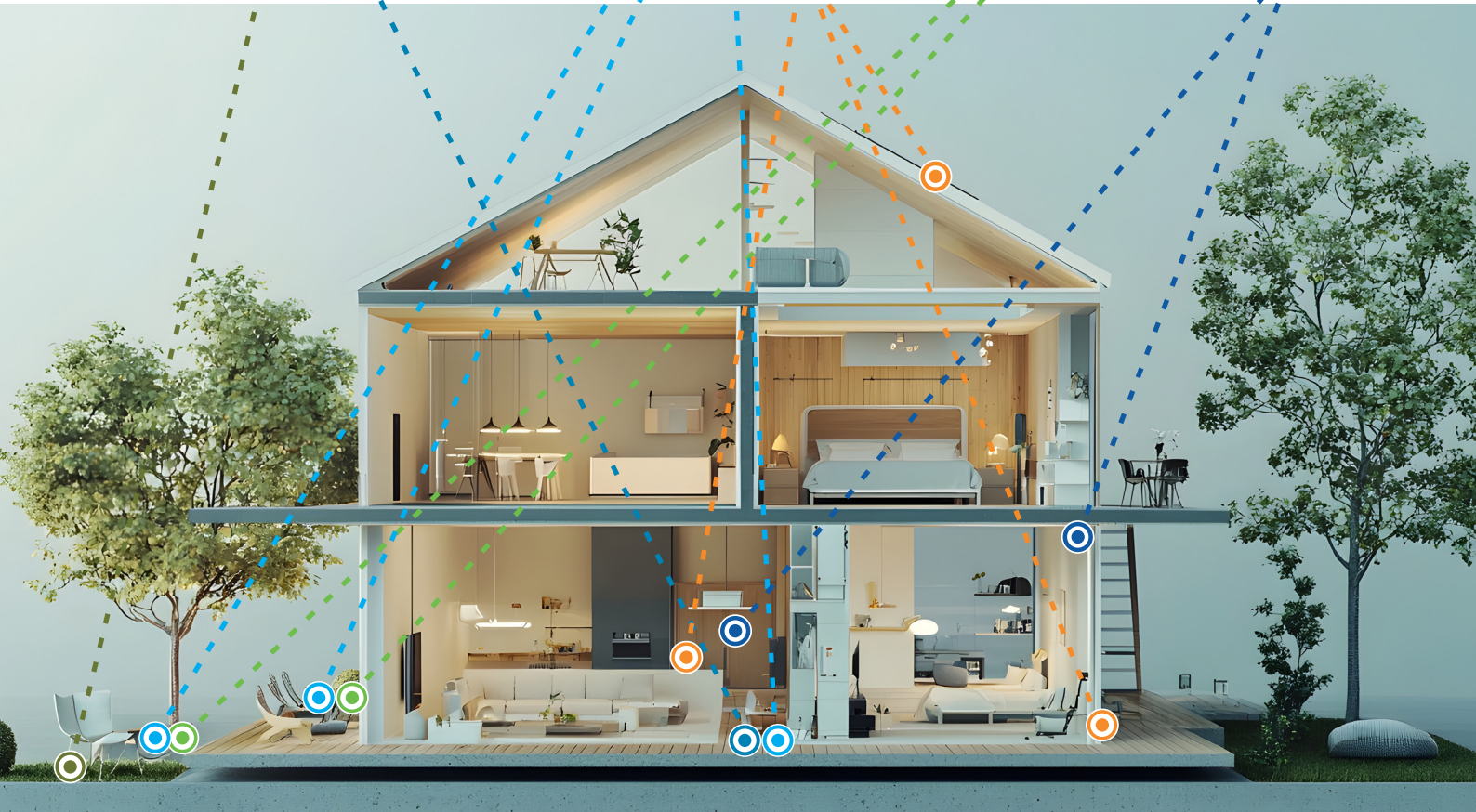
#### **Internal sprayers**

- Should be well-maintained.
- Have a selection of spray tips available.
- Consider different sprayers for different formulations and outcomes (E.g. crack and crevice or atomised sprayers for low volume cornice spot applications).
- Internal treatments can be as simple as a web broom to remove webs, followed by an application with Astro for knockdown and residual.

#### **External treatments should consider the surface to be applied, Pest Issues and desired outcome.**

- Targeted treatment to pest harbourage/ breeding areas will result in a longer-term happier customer.
- Backpack sprayers are great for allowing easier access to previously hard-to-reach areas. This in combination with the correct application method, sprayer tip and formulation choice can reduce the volume required and produce a better job. Saving you money and time!
- High-volume tanks can be useful depending on the application/ desired treatment e.g. flea treatment.
- Backpack blower mister sprayer can be a great alternative to move applications into foliage and hold below the leaf where pests will land. This treatment is great for mosquitos but can also provide benefits for other pests like spiders and ants. Care must be taken when using this application method due to non target surfaces spray drift.

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## Industry Best practise Using FMC Range

Remember good Inspection and identification of Pest Harbourages will lead to the most effective treatment.

### Internal Treatments low level and harbourages

Biflex Aqua and Biflex Micron

### Internal Treatments - Targeted

Astro is great for a fast knock down and flushing properties. Great for spiders in cornices or cockroaches in kitchen harbourages.

### External Treatments: Perimeter, yards and harbourages

Biflex Ultra, Biflex Aqua. Also consider Biflex Micron with its dual active. Great results with Ants  
Brigade Granules are great for pavers, Gaps around the building and yard treatments

### Internal and External cavities

Dragnet dust will allow greater coverage in harbourages in roof cavities, wall cavities or harbourages under dishwashers or kitchens

Alternative products are available and should be used in conjunction with this solution. Alternative ranges include Gel baits/ liquids for Ants and cockroaches, Dusts, Aerosols etc

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