

Natures Good Guys

RELEASE INSTRUCTIONS

Aphelinus abdominalis

Aphid Parasite

- Release parasitic wasps onto infested plants by opening the bottle or vial immediately adjacent to the aphid outbreak and rest it at the base of the affected plant. Repeat as necessary.
- If larger outbreaks of aphids are found, larger release rates should be made immediately.
- Light release: 80 wasps per 40 sq. ft. of canopy with two weekly introductions into infested areas
- Heavy release: 160 wasps per 40 sq. ft. of canopy with two weekly introductions into infested areas.

Strategic Considerations: Monitor the crop closely. Early releases will help in overcoming the pest. Pesticides and even wetting agents and spreader-stickers may adversely affect survival. Broad spectrum and systemic insecticides are toxic to these wasps.