



Gall wasp infestation

Do you have citrus gall wasp?



Citrus gall wasp (*Bruchophagus fellis*) is a pest of citrus and a threat to the citrus industry in Western Australia. It damages citrus by producing galls that can weaken trees, making them unproductive. Heavy infestations can reduce crop yield and cause branch dieback.

Home gardeners are encouraged to act now to stop the spread of this pest.

Report galls to MyPestGuide Reporter at mypestguide.agric.wa.gov.au/reporter

What to do



Check for galls from April to June.



Prune-out galls by June 30 and place them in the sun to dry out (chop up large galls).



Galls removed after June 30 must be chopped up and solarised (in a plastic bag) in a sunny location for at least four weeks to kill developing larvae.



Work with your neighbours to reduce reinfestation of your tree.

What not to do



Move plants between properties.



Leave galls on the tree.



Throw galls in the rubbish without treatment.

Wasps emerge from galls in September and quickly begin egg laying but new season infestations will not be seen until April.

Research into gall wasp control is ongoing, get the latest information at:

agric.wa.gov.au/citrus-gall-wasp