

## Termites in Hawaii - Review Questions

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1. How many new insects are introduced to Hawaii each year?

*Answer:*

-15 new insects introduced each year.

2. Describe something good that termites do.

*Answer (either one is acceptable):*

- Break down wood (cellulose).
- Aerate the soil.

3. What is the most important termite pest in Hawaii?

*Answer:*

Formosan subterranean termite, or *Coptotermes formosanus*

4. Describe two methods of DRYWOOD termite prevention and control.

*Answer (any TWO are acceptable):*

- Fumigation with a gas
- Heat
- Injecting insecticides into the wood
- Using termite resistant building materials (treated wood, naturally durable wood, steel)

5. Describe two methods of SUBTERRANEAN termite prevention and control.

*Answer (any TWO are acceptable):*

- Soil insecticides
- Baiting systems
- Physical barriers (Basaltic Termite Barrier, Termimesh)
- Using termite resistant building materials (treated wood, naturally durable wood, steel)