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**SAPCA** (NPC)

**Standard Operating Procedure  
Cryptotermis Brevis**

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## STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE GUIDELINES FOR THE TREATMENT OF CRYPTOTERMIS BREVIS (DRYWOOD TERMITES)

Inconsistencies with the recommendations and treatments of *Cryptotermis Brevis* (dry-wood termite) has become a huge concern for the industry, SAPCA, Homebuyers, Estate agents and Transfer Attorneys.

Single spot spray treatments are done with chemicals left on the surface of floors and is extremely harmful to residents, their families and pets. Inconsistent treatments as mentioned bring the industry in disrepute and give the impression that “qualified” inspectors doing the recommendations are not consistent and that the industry does not know what it is doing.

The CORRECT SAPCA Protocol is:

- 1) Identify the location in the wood infested with termites
- 2) Replace infested timber with pre-treated timber (destroy infested timber pieces)
- 3) Treatment include fumigation or site-specific treatments
- 4) Fumigation is recommended if infestation is not localized or difficult to access

In the situation where the “beetle clause” in the Deed of Sales required a Certificate of Clearance, FUMIGATION under gas tight tarpaulin is the ONLY correct industry standard treatment.

Download the full Standard Operating Procedure for more information.



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