

PRECAUTIONS YOU MUST TAKE TO REDUCE THE RISK OF SUBTERRANEAN TERMITE INFESTATION.

➤ TIMBER STACKED AGAINST BUILDING,

Timber and/or debris stacked against the house should be removed so the chemical barrier will not be bridged.

➤ CLIMBING PLANTS ON WALLS,

Climbing plants and/or thick vegetation growing against the house can provide a bridge over the termite barrier, also the roots of the plants could be excavated by termites and penetrate the termite barrier.

➤ LEAKING PLUMBING,

Leaking taps, broken service pipes, open ended down pipes, leaking hot water systems can result in termites using the moisture to start a nest.

➤ BUILT UP GARDENS,

Garden beds with pine bark built up over weep-holes will provide termites access over the termite barrier.

➤ TILLING OF GARDEN BEDS,

After a termite barrier is installed around your house the making of garden beds and or the tilling of garden beds will result in a break of the barrier. Pets digging around the house will result in the same.

➤ DEAD TREES AND STUMPS,

Dead trees and stumps are good sites for termite nests.

INSPECTIONS

As per Australian Standards, property inspections should be carried out at maximum intervals at 12 months by a competent inspector are of paramount importance.

AUSTRALIAN STANDARDS

GENERAL “A COMPETENT INSPECTOR SHOULD BE KNOWLEDGEABLE ON BUILDING PRACTICE AND THE BIOLOGY OF TERMITES AND HAVE SUFFICIENT FIELD EXPERIENCE TO DETERMINE IF THERE IS AN INFESTATION IN THE BUILDING. IN GENERAL THE INSPECTOR SHOULD KNOW THE HABITS OF TERMITES, THE MANNER IN WHICH THEY WORK, THE PLACES WHERE THEY ARE LIKELY TO BE FOUND AND THE SIGNS WHICH SHOW THEY ARE PRESENT.”

FREQUENCY OF INSPECTIONS “REGULAR COMPETENT INSPECTIONS AT A MAXIMUM INTERVALS OF 12 MONTHS ARE RECOMMENDED, WITH MORE FREQUENT INSPECTIONS AT INTERVALS OF 3 MONTHS OR 6 MONTHS WHERE LOCAL TERMITE RISK IS HIGH. FURTHER INSPECTION IS RECOMMENDED WHEN BRIDGING OR BREACHING OF A BARRIER HAS OCCURRED, E.G. HOME ADDITIONS OR EARTHWORKS SUCH AS GARDENING ADJACENT TO THE BUILDING. REFER TO A PEST CONTROLLER OR CONSULTANT FOR ADVICE.”

SHOULD YOU REQUIRE ANYMORE INFORMATION, PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO CONTACT OUR OFFICE – SAFECLEAN ON 3823 2333.