

GOPHER CONTROL FOLLOW UP AND EXPECTATIONS

Thank you for choosing Earls. We pride ourselves in our service and would like to further reinforce our treatment of the Initial Service as well as give more information related to the nature and treatment plan of the animal.

Based upon the area and infestation level, results may vary.

Our technicians have surveyed the entire property to determine the type of problem you are experiencing and how severe it may be.

Based upon their findings, our technicians have devised a treatment plan that will solve your problem while ensuring the safety of your family and your pets.

We use a combination of trapping and baiting methods. This will be determined by the technician at time of service. We will identify the problem areas and clean up old mounds. In some cases we will mark the areas treated with labeled flags. When dealing with a large infestation, this method allows us to discover what activity is old or new, as well as to monitor progress throughout the treatment plan.



The bait is injected into the feeding runs of the gopher about 1-2 feet underground, making it inaccessible to any non-target animals. See figure below.

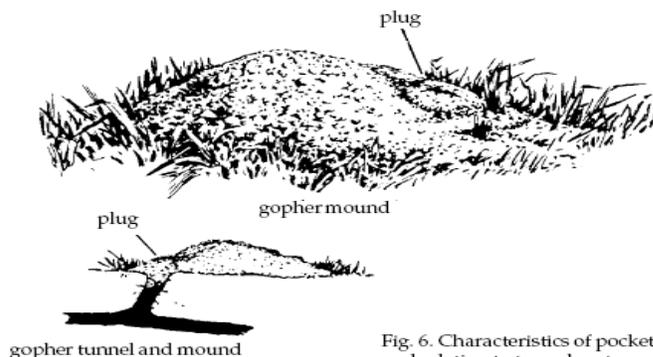


Fig. 6. Characteristics of pocket gopher mounds and relation to tunnel system.

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Note that the animals are used to alternate food sources, so acceptance may take a little time as well as follow up visits are highly recommended for maximum results. It takes time for the animal to be overcome by the bait, so remember to allow 10-14 days before seeing results.

After the bait is injected, it is typical to see the animal become more active, this may cause you to possibly see more mounds and damage immediately after treatment and up to 10 days after. This side effect is not something that is always seen, however it does happen.

After 10-14 days, based upon the environment and population on the property, it is typical to see the activity level drop.

If there is an increase of activity after that time, its always good to consider follow up treatments, as its beneficial to get aggressive rather than allow a period of time to lapse. A follow up service such as this is at a minimal service call rate, lower than the initial service fee already rendered.



Most gopher jobs should be set up on a case by case basis. Based upon the techs findings, things such as time of year, population and environment always play a part in your plan. Things such as construction, migration of the animal, hillsides and uneven fields provide an alternate habitat for gophers so **it is typically recommended on all gopher jobs to do at least one follow up within 30 days of the first treatment.** This helps ensure that we are maximizing our results.

Because gophers are active year round, the animal tends to be less active during the winter and more active in the Spring & Summer. So depending on what time of year you are experiencing problems we have a plan to suit your needs.



The frequency of visits are based upon the level of infestation, history of problem and environment of property to be treated. Service rates are based on all three of these things. This means that some properties may only need treatments on a Monthly basis, however some may need a Bi-weekly and even a Weekly service to keep the problem under control, especially during the active season

Gophers a migratory animal, therefore the only control is to eradicate what is onsite. This means that there is no warranty on gopher control but can be maintained at a low service rate.

Thank you for taking the time to educate yourself on what you should expect and how Earls can solve your gopher problem.

Should this information not answer any or all of your concerns, please email us at earlspest@yahoo.com or call us at 1-800-310-2900

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