



## PRODUCT SHEET: ICHNEUMON WASPS - TRICHOGRAMMA EVANESCENS

- Name of product: Cardboards of ichneumon wasps
- Package content: ichneumon wasps of the species trichogramma evanescence
- Unit: 3000 ichneumon wasps of the species trichogramma evanescence on card board.
- Country of origin: Germany
- Maximal shelf life before use: 7 days when stored cool (8-12 °C).

### AREA OF USE:

Ichneumon wasps of the species trichogramma evanescens are mainly used in case of an infestation of food, by food moths (such as flour moths and dried fruit moths). In some cases the ichneumon wasps can also be used successfully in cases of clothes moths and wax moths infestations.

### SPECIFICATION:

Ichneumon wasps of the species trichogramma evanescens are only about 0.3 mm in size. They combat the moths in such a way, that they lay their own eggs into the eggs of the moths. During their growing, the eggs of the ichneumon wasps feed on the eggs of the wasps even after developing to a larvae.

This is how it is prevented that the eggs of the food moths develop into caterpillars that can infest groceries. This is how stored groceries that so far have not been infested by food moths are protected from a moth infestation. At normal room temperature, the ichneumon wasps of the species trichogramma evanescence hatch within a period of three weeks. The use of the ichneumon wasps of the species trichogramma evanescence to combat food moths that have infested such products, that are stored as lose bulk, is not possible. Ichneumon wasps of the species trichogramma evanescence, are harmless for human health.

### USAGE:

The cardboard must be placed in close proximity to the groceries that are infested with moths. They need to have direct contact to the shelf or cupboard wall. They can be laid down or hung up. For one meter of shelf or cupboard space, one cardboard is needed. When placing the cardboards you have to make sure to always place them in all cupboards in which dry food (flour, flour products, rice, cornflakes, nuts, legumes, spices, coffee and tea powder etc.), dry pet food, dried flowers or products made of straw are stored.

The ichneumon wasps will work for altogether 9 weeks. During this time the cardboards must be replaced every three weeks. This means that new cardboards are placed on the same spots three times in a row. A successful implementation of the ichneumon wasps of the species trichogramma evanescence is possible at a temperatures from 15 to 35 °C.

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