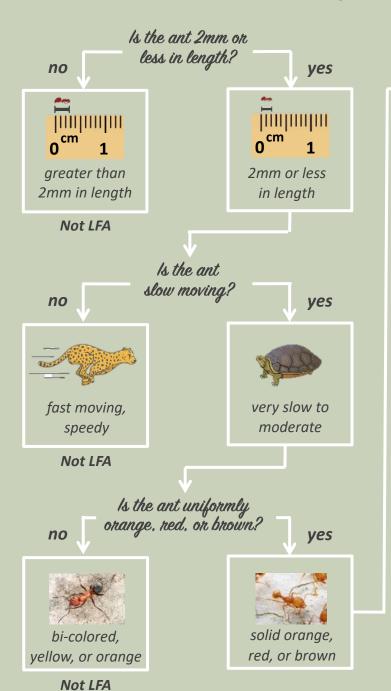
# **IDENTIFY**

Little Fire Ants



### FIELD PGUIDE



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#### WARNING! Possible LFA!

In Hawaii, there are several other tiny, orange ant species that be may mistaken for a Little Fir Ant (LFA).

The following ant species are LFA looka-likes:



Pheidole navigans



Plagiolepis alluaudi



**Tetramorium** similimum



Solenopsis sp. HI01

To verify your identification, mail or bring your ant samples to our office:

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## IDENTIFY

Little Fire Ants



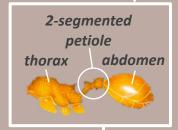
### MICROSCOPE & GUIDE

Ane there 2 "bumps" between the thorax and abdomen?

yes

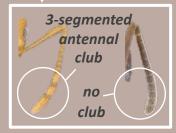
1-segmented petiole abdomen

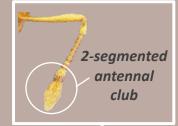
no



**Not LFA** 

Ane the last 2 segments of the antenna bigger than all the others?





**Not LFA** 

Are there 2 long spines protruding from the end of the thonax? no

yes







long propodeal spines almost reaches 1st bump

**Not LFA** 

#### So if your ant has:

- 1. 2 "bumps" and
- 2. 2 bigger antenna segments and
- **3.** 2 long spines



...then your ant is very probably a LFA

### The following ant species look like LFA, but differ in the following features:



Tetramorium similimum

- 3 bigger antenna segments
- 2 short spines



**Plagiolepis** 

alluaudi



Solenopsis sp. HI01

- 1 "bump"
- no antennal club
- no spines

no spines

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