

White-footed ant (*Technomyrmex albipes*)

- ❑ Native to Indonesia, now widespread by commerce; intercepted in shipments from HI and FL.
- ❑ Hosts: Found in shipments of cut flowers, herbs, fruits, houseplants and palms. Adults feed on honeydew of sucking insects, which they tend (*i.e.* aphids, mealybugs and scales)
- ❑ Field ID: Adult about 2.5-3 mm long, **black to dark brown with pale feet**; antenna with **12 segments**; with **2-4 standing hairs on thorax**; **abdominal pedicel lacking dorsal spine**, and a **slit present at abdominal tip**.

