

Integrated Pest Management (IPM) in Housing [Housing Site]

Working together towards pest-free housing.

- **Residents:** keep pests from getting food, water, and shelter.
- **Resident Services:** help residents learn how to do their part and get support.
- **Maintenance:** fixes holes that let pests in.
- **Pest Control:** monitors for pests and applies pesticides.
- **Management:** makes sure everyone is doing his or her part to keep our building pest-free.



DON'T SELF TREAT

Why does my housekeeping matter?

To live happily, pests need

- food,
- water, and
- a place to hide.

Make sure they don't get what they need!

Do these things daily:

- Clean and dry all dishes—no food out at night
- Put all food in sealed containers or the refrigerator
- Take the trash out
- Wipe down the counters and stove
- Sweep the floor

Do these things weekly:

- Vacuum carpeted floors
- Recycle bottles, cans, and cardboard
- Do a load of laundry
- Inspect your home for pests

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Call management to place a work order.

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YOUR ROLE IN PEST CONTROL

You don't have to live with pests!

STOP
Pests
in housing

Got pests?

[[Housing Site](#)] will help.

Help us get free services to you.

If you see:

- A cockroach, mouse, rat or bed bug;
- Signs that these pests have been around;
- A place where pests can get into your home; or
- A leaky pipe.

Call management to call in a work order

Do not use sprays or foggers (bug bombs) in your home!

RODENTS



GERMAN COCKROACH



BED BUG



Cockroaches are health hazards!

Even the dead ones can make asthma worse in sensitive people and cause asthma in preschool-aged children!

What you can do to kill pests:

- Trap them and throw them away.
- Vacuum them up (seal the bag in a plastic bag and put it in the trash).
- Focus your efforts on housekeeping.

**Get a professional to apply pesticides—
don't use your own!**

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Keep my eyes open for bed bugs and let management know if I have a pest problem.”

Resident
Richmond, VA

What you can do to keep your home pest free:

- Clean up crumbs and spills.
- Take out trash and recycling regularly.
- De-clutter! Limit the amount of unused stuff you store in your home. Clutter gives pests a place to hide.
- Be wary of used furniture—it might have bed bugs.
- Store food where pests can't get to it.
- Vacuum, sweep, and mop the floors.
- Report leaking faucets and clogged drains.