



Did you know?

The toxic chemicals in pesticides can harm human beings. Since pests can also affect health, it is important to get rid of pests safely

Safer Pest Control

Action Plan

- Prevent pests without toxic chemicals:
 - Eliminate water sources by fixing leaks and cleaning up spills.
 - Eliminate food sources by removing crumbs, sealing food containers, and emptying trash.
 - Eliminate places where pests may hide.
 - Get rid of their entry points. Seal cracks with caulk.

- If you must use chemical pesticides:
 - Place bait stations in areas inaccessible to children and pets.
 - Choose pesticides with an EPA "Safer Choice" label.
 - Ventilate your home by opening windows.
 - Never use sprays, foggers, or bug bombs.

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Resources

To access the free hotline for advice on safer pest control in your home, contact the National Pesticide Information Center (NPIC) at

1-800-858-7378 or www.npic.orst.edu

To learn more about safe insect repellent use visit:

<https://bit.ly/2w2tvrn>

For more information visit:

<https://icahn.mssm.edu/research/pehsu/us-virgin-islands-puerto-rico/spanish>

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