

R_X PRESCRIPTION FOR PREVENTION



Safer Pest Control

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



- ✓ 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.

Signed: _____

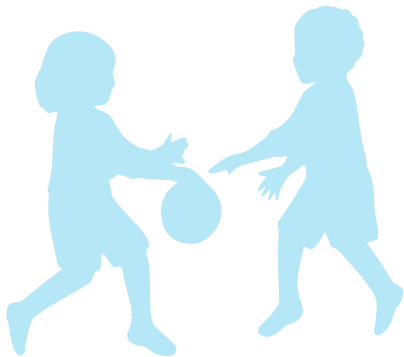


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- ✓ To access the free hotline for advice on safer pest control in your home, contact the National Pesticide Information Center (NPIC): npic.orst.edu or 1-800-858-7378
- ✓ For more information visit: nyscheck.org/rx



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