



Safer Pest Control

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!

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.

- To learn more about safer pest management: visit health.ny.gov, search “Pesticides” and select “Pests, Pesticides & Repellents” from the search results.

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Did You Know?

Keeping rat poison in your home can be hazardous. Monroe County Household Hazardous Waste Facility (EcoPark) hosts special events where residents can drop off household hazardous wastes (appointment required) and medications. The service is free, but there is a small fee for some items such as refrigerant-containing appliances and tires. Call to make an appointment.

- Number: (585) 753-7600 (menu option 3)
- Address: 10 Avion Dr., 14624 (near the airport)
- Website: monroecounty.gov/ecopark

Resources

National Pesticide Information Center (NPIC) provides information on safer pest control. Visit their website or call their free hotline:

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

Monroe County Department of Public Health addresses pest issues. For more information, call (585) 753-5171 or visit monroecounty.gov/eh-housingrodentcontrol

Monroe County residents living in 14605, 14608, 14609, 14611, or 14621 may be eligible to receive free cleaning supplies and other materials from the Healthy Neighborhood Program. For more information, call (585) 753-5073 or (585) 753-5124, or visit monroecounty.gov/eh-hnp

For more information, visit: nyscheck.org/rxs or call (844) 352-3420

