Control Pest Safely

Pest could bring us diseases, contaminate our foodstuffs, create nuisance and even ruin our properties.

Good hygiene could handicap the pests. In general, keeping the environment clean could help solve pest problems and deprive pests of food sources as well as their hiding places.

When trying to control pests by yourself:

- Select a pesticide with low toxicity when its use is unavoidable.
- Follow the instructions on the labels. Inform your neighbours if your treatment may affect them.
- Avoid spraying pesticide to or near naked flame or electrical appliances such as refrigerators, washing machines, ovens, etc.
- Take actions to prevent pesticide vapour/fume from entering into central air-conditioning systems.
- When applying pesticide, do not eat, drink or smoke; wear protective clothings and keep children, pets as well as foodstuffs away.
- Bodies contaminated with pesticide must be washed thoroughly with running water and soap.
- Wash hands and face after using pesticide.
- Keep the pesticide treated areas well ventilated for a sufficient period of time before re-entry.

When you employ a pest control company:

- Select a reputable pest control company.
- Request the pest control company to use a pesticide with low toxicity.
- Obtain information from the pest control company on :
 - the biology of the pests
 - the pest control methods
 - the materials used for the control
 - the safety measures to be taken
 - after the treatment.

The use of pesticide is not the only method to control pests. Environmental improvement to eliminate pest breeding and aggregating places is the ultimate solution of the problem.

ENQUIRIES

For further information on pest prevention and control, please contact the Pest Control Advisory Section, Food and Environmental Hygiene Department on 3188 2064.

If you have any complaint and / or enquiry about nuisances caused by pest around your living place, please contact the following District Environmental Hygiene Offices of the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department:

Central/Western Tel: 2545 0506

Wanchai Tel: 2507 3364
Eastern Tel: 2563 4340
Southern Tel: 2552 8406
Kwun Tong Tel: 3102 7388
Wong Tai Sin Tel: 2328 6531

Yau Tsim Tel : 2302 1299 Mong Kok Tel : 2395 2727

Kowloon City Tel: 2711 2493

Sham Shui Po Tel: 2748 6959

Islands Tel: 2852 3215

Kwai Tsing Tel : 2420 9204 Tsuen Wan Tel : 2212 9701 Tuen Mun Tel : 2146 8642 Yuen Long Tel : 2475 3433

North Tel: 2679 2812
Tai Po Tel: 3183 9119
Sai Kung Tel: 3740 5100
Sha Tin Tel: 2634 0136

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