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Pest library: common household pests

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Midwest—winter season



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Current Pest threat

Be aware for cockroaches, fleas, bedbugs, nonbiting flies, spiders, and rodents attempting to enter the home. There will also be some ant activity during warmer days.

Stay alert

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Subterranean Termites



Drywood Termites

Termites

Termites and Termite Prevention

Since termites are a constant threat to your home, here are some things you can do during the year to help maintain the effectiveness of The Orkin Man's termite treatment plan.

What Can You Do to Help Protect Your Home?

Small steps make a big difference in termite prevention and sustaining an effective termite treatment plan. Start by eliminating moisture conditions and food around your home. These simple steps make your home a less attractive target, helping deter termites.

Eliminate Moisture Problems

Repair leaking faucets, water pipes, and a/c units

Divert water from foundation

Keep gutters and down-spouts clean

Remove excessive plant cover and wood mulch

Get rid of standing water on roof

Keep all vents clear and open

Seal entry points around water and utility lines or pipes

Remove Food Sources

Keep firewood, lumber, or paper away from foundation or crawl space

Get rid of stumps and debris near house

Place screens on outside vents

Check decks and wooden fences for damage

Wood on your home shouldn't contact the soil

Termite Warning Signs

Some indications you may have a termite infestation:

A temporary swarm of winged insects in your home or from the soil around your home.

Any cracked or bubbling paint or frass (termite droppings).

Wood that sounds hollow when tapped.

Mud tubes on exterior walls, wooden beams, or in crawl spaces.

Discarded wings from swarmers.

For information on other pests, visit the [pest library](#) home page.

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