

What is IPM?

Integrated Pest Management is a science-based approach that combines a variety of techniques. By studying their life cycles and how pests interact with the environment, IPM professionals can manage pests with the most current methods to improve management, lower costs, and reduce risks to people and the environment.

IPM tools include:

- ✓ Alter surroundings
- ✓ Add beneficial insects/organisms
- ✓ Grow plants that resist pests
- ✓ Disrupt development of pest
- ✓ Prevention of pest problem developing
- ✓ Disrupt insect behaviors
- ✓ Use pesticides

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IDENTIFY / MONITOR

Determine the causal agent and its abundance (contact your local extension agent for help).

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EVALUATE

The results from monitoring will help to answer: Is the pest causing damage? Do we need to act? As pest numbers increase toward the economic threshold further treatments may be necessary.

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PREVENT

Some pest problems can be prevented by using barriers against climbing pests, sanitation, and sealing cracks in buildings.

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ACTION

IPM uses multiple tools to reduce pests below an economically damaging level. A careful selection of preventive and curative treatments will reduce reliance on any one tactic and increase likelihood of success.

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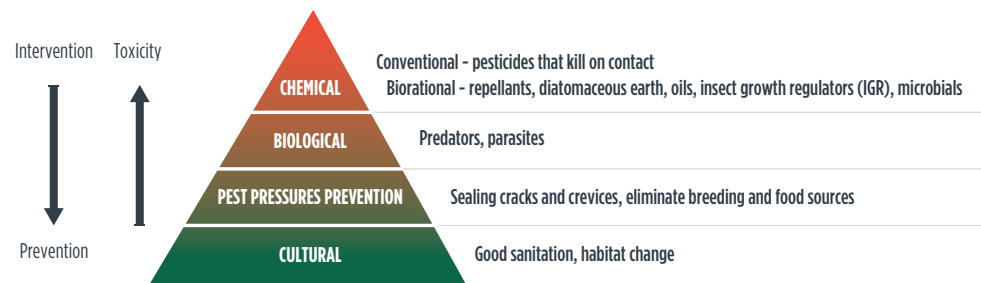
MONITOR

Continue to monitor the pest population. If it remains low or decreases, further treatments may not be necessary, but if it increases and exceeds the action threshold, another IPM tool should be used.



We focus on strategic preventative treatments to intercept early stages of infestation that are present each season: Spring and Fall we get inside to treat unfinished areas, replenish rodent monitors and inspect key areas. Summer, outside only for wasps and other crawling insects. Winter - We come back seal and treat interiors to combat overwintering pests

IPM HEIRARCHY



Our goal is precise, targeted applications that minimize biocide use. Our economic threshold, in most instances, is zero therefore JPM's IPM is centered around building pest pressure out.

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