

Ants in Your Home? Here's How You Can Help.

Seeing ants indoors does **not** mean the colony is inside your home. Worker ants often enter from outdoor nests & changes in weather can increase activity around structures.

Before Your Technician Arrives:

- ☐ **Avoid over-the-counter ant sprays, baits, or other treatments.** These can scatter ants, making the infestation harder to control, and interfere with our treatments.
- ☐ **Let us know where you see ants entering.** Ant trails are valuable clues that help us locate activity & determine where treatment is needed.
- ☐ **Clean all potentially affected areas and items with dish soap and water,** including any spills or crumbs. Even if you don't currently see ants, there may be food residue and pheromone trails. Cleaning everything that may have been exposed helps prevent ants from being drawn back to the same or new areas.
- ☐ **After cleaning,** mix equal parts white vinegar and water in a spray bottle and apply it to areas where you have seen ants.

After Treatment:

- ☐ **Avoid cleaning up or removing treatment products** unless instructed by your technician.
- ☐ **Remove food & water sources.** Store food in sealed containers, keep pet food areas clean, & empty trash regularly.
- ☐ **Fix moisture problems.** Repair leaks & avoid unnecessary standing water. *Moisture can attract and support ant activity.*
- ☐ **Seal potential entry points.** Check gaps around doors, windows, pipes, utility lines, & other openings.
- ☐ **Keep vegetation and outdoor materials from touching the structure,** trimming branches, bushes & vines. **Avoid piling mulch, firewood, plants, or other materials against the foundation.** These can provide hiding places & pathways for ants.

What to Expect:

You may continue to see some ants after treatment. Your help with food, moisture, sanitation & entry points can improve treatment results & help reduce future activity.