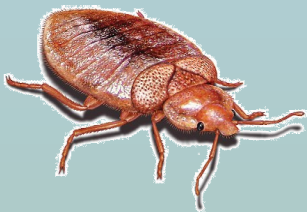




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Bed Bugs: A persistent household pest



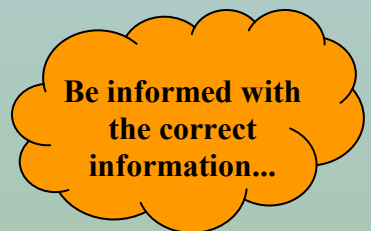
The Pesticide Control Office has concluded its Bed Bug survey, which has identified safety concerns regarding the improper use of pesticides and other chemicals by homeowners who are battling bed bugs. Misinformation from a variety of sources is leaving homeowners confused and desperate for solutions.

In an effort to provide the Community with expert information about bed bugs, the Pesticide Control Office has developed a central location on the Department of Environmental Quality's website where homeowners can receive essential information regarding bed bug prevention and control.

The Pesticide Control Office encourages homeowners to inquire about **Integrated Pest Management** for bed bug control and the use of pesticides or other chemicals before implementing strategies which may not be ideal. The improper use of pesticides and chemicals can lead to serious health effects, as well as bed bugs developing a resistance to pesticides.

To access the DEQ Pesticide Control Office's Bed Bug webpage, please follow this web address:

www.gricdeq.org/pco_bed_bugs.html



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