

FREE GUIDE FROM SHIELDNEST

Pest ID Checklist

Spot the signs of the most common house pests — so you call the right kind of licensed pro the first time.



Know the pest, know the cost, and stay safe around kids and pets — then get matched, free, with licensed, certified pest control pros near you. You compare quotes and choose who to hire.

Why identifying the pest matters

Different pests need different treatments. Ants, termites, roaches, rodents, and bed bugs each leave different signs. Naming the pest first saves you a wasted visit and helps a licensed pro plan the right treatment.

Quick signs by pest

Pest	Where you see it	Tell-tale signs
Ants	Kitchen, foundation	Trails, tiny piles of soil
Termites	Wood, window frames	Mud tubes, hollow wood, swarmers
Cockroaches	Kitchen, at night	Droppings, egg cases, musty smell
Mice / rats	Walls, pantry	Droppings, gnaw marks, nests

Bed bugs

Mattress seams

Bites in lines, tiny blood spots



Look for these clues

- Droppings — size and shape point to the pest
- Damage to wood, food packaging, or fabric
- Trails, greasy marks, or tracks along walls
- Bites, especially in a line or cluster
- Live insects, more often seen at night
- A musty or unusual smell in one area

Write it down before you call

- 1 Note exactly where you see the pest.
- 2 Note the time of day you see it most.
- 3 Take a clear photo if you safely can.
- 4 Note any damage or droppings you found.
- 5 Bring these notes when a licensed pro calls — it speeds up the plan.



RESIDENTIAL PEST SERVICES - COST REFERENCE

PEST TYPE	STANDARD TREATMENT	PREMIUM TREATMENT	QUARTERLY PLAN	MONTHLY PLAN
ANTS	\$120	\$180	\$240	\$360
SPIDERS	\$120	\$180	\$240	\$360
ROACHES	\$140	\$200	\$280	\$420
RODENTS	\$180	\$260	\$360	\$540
TERMITES	\$220	\$320	\$440	\$660
BED BUGS	\$200	\$300	\$420	\$630
FLEAS	\$140	\$200	\$280	\$420
SILVERFISH	\$120	\$180	\$240	\$360

SERVICE NOTES

- Prices are general estimates for residential properties.
- Actual cost may vary based on property size and severity.
- Quarterly plans provide 4 visits per year.
- Monthly plans provide ongoing protection.
- All treatments include inspection and professional application.

SMART TIP
Regular treatments help prevent infestations and save money over time.

If you are not sure

That is normal. Choose 'not sure' when you get matched, and a licensed, certified pest control company can identify the pest during inspection. You still compare quotes and choose who to hire.





Important

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