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Our Pest Awareness Series offer informative, easy to understand information on a range of problem pests.

We aim to keep you in control and as well as maintain a safe and healthier environment for your immediate surroundings.

Our Pest Awareness Sheets present facts such as:

- Overview
- Ecology and Habit
- Breeding Cycle
- Health Risk

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Oriental Cockroaches (*Blatta Orientalis*)

Overview

The Oriental cockroaches are insects belonging to the Order Blattodea, representing a primitive and highly productive group of insects whose origin extend back to at least 300 million years.

Ecology

Oriental cockroaches prefer relatively cool places and are commonly found outdoors under bark or leaf litter, damp subfloors and around draining areas.

Lifecycle

Oriental cockroach nymphs may take about 6 - 18 months to develop into adults and an adult lifespan may be 3 - 6 months. Females may produce up to 14 egg cases during her adult life with each case carrying up to 16 eggs.

Habits

Oriental cockroaches feed on a variety of decaying organic waste. They are most frequently seen feeding in garbage disposal areas. Oriental cockroaches also feed on starch and books.

Health Risks

- Cockroaches often dwell in environments that support the growth of harmful organisms, viruses and can also carry eggs of worm parasites.
- Each cockroach may carry millions of diseases outside and inside of it's body including, salmonella food poisoning or diseases such as dysentery, tuberculosis, hepatitis, typhoid fever and many more.

Management

Effective management of pest cockroaches rely on:

- High standards of sanitation and hygiene which will reduce factors that may facilitate a population growth.
- A comprehensive inspection/survey of the building(s).



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