

# National Pesticide Information Center



Your **HEALTH**  
Your **SAFETY**  
Your **SOURCE**  
for unbiased  
scientific information

## Who we are

- Friendly
- Knowledgeable
- Scientists
- Approachable

NPIC translates science into everyday language. We're trained to identify risk and address pesticide related issues.



## Why NPIC?

Making informed decisions about pesticides is tough. With 20+ years of service, we can answer your most difficult questions.



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# What is a pesticide?

You might know them as:

- Insect repellents
- Disinfectants
- Fungicides/mold control
- Weed & feed
- Ant & mouse baits
- Insect sprays

Pesticides kill, control, or repel pests. By pest, we mean unwanted or harmful insects, germs, plant diseases, weeds, and animals.



## Is it safe?

All pesticides have the potential to cause harm, even natural and organic ones. You'll have to decide what's best for your situation by balancing the risks and benefits. Finding ways to reduce risk is where we excel.



## We can help!

Our team answers questions about:

- Risk to people, animals, & the environment
- Upcoming pesticide treatments
- Pest control
- Gardening & food safety
- Using insect repellents
- Reporting pesticide incidents
- Pregnancy & pesticides