

Fleas

Why do I have fleas in my home/workplace when there are no pets?

- In the summer fleas can survive outside and be carried into buildings.
- Visiting friends or clients who have fleas in their home can transport fertile fleas into their home or workplace.
- If you have visited a public building with fleas, you can bring them home.
- Fleas in the pupae stage can remain dormant for up to 9 months and hatch when you walk into an empty property. This is a common problem for landlords and real estate agents.
- Animals such as squirrels, raccoons & possums bring fleas in from neighboring yards.

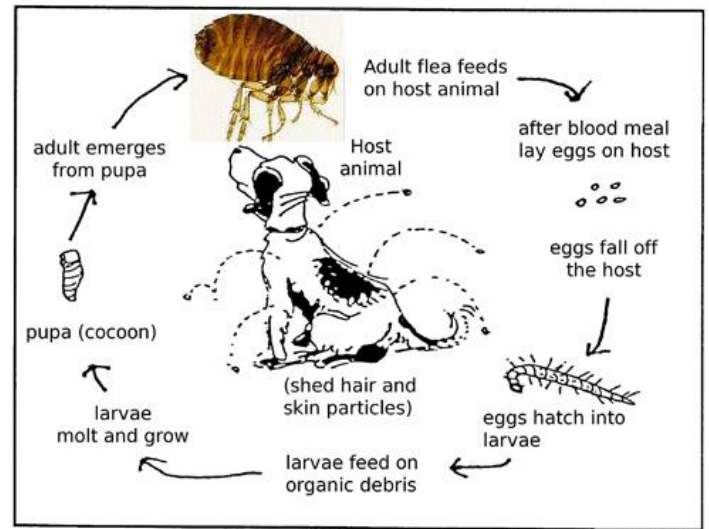
Treatment of Pets:

Treatment of pets is essential. Pet treatment, which contains a growth inhibitor (**products or materials that interrupt or inhibit the life cycle of a pest. By inhibiting the maturity of an insect, we keep it from reaching the critical adult stage, thus stopping the life cycle and infestation.**) is very important. You should also:

- Groom and treat your pets. Animals swallow eggs when they clean themselves so grooming with a flea comb will help stop this. Flea eggs will drop off so groom outside. Your vet can give advice about flea treatments. (**Comfortis** is the recommended product by our customers)

Treatment we can provide:

If you decide you would like our pest control technician to provide treatment, please make sure you have read and followed the advice on this sheet. It is also recommended to treat the lawn along with the interior treatment. Due to the fact that we cannot control the weather or the animals traveling through the yard, a second lawn treatment may be necessary.



What you need to do **Before** the pest control technician visits:

- Vacuum your entire house, including sofas, chairs, tile & wood floors. Throw out the vacuum bag as it may contain flea eggs, larva, pupa & adults.
- Clear as much floor space as possible (not the furniture)
- Start to treat your pets.
- Wash rugs and pet bedding if possible.

After the pest control technician has provided treatments:

- You must go out for 1-2 hours after treatment has been carried out.
- Animals must stay out of treated areas for at least 1 hour or until ground is dry.
- Do not let children play in treated area for 4 hours after treatment.
- Vacuum as often as possible.
- Do not have carpet cleaned for 5 weeks.

*****You may see fleas for up to 5 weeks. The adults will die, but eggs will be developing at different times and the emerging adults will die off as they come into contact with the**

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If you ask us to retreat prior to the end of the 5 week waiting period, there will be a (minimal) \$75.00 treatment fee. If you still have a problem with fleas after the 5 weeks and contact us within 60 days after the 1st date of treatment, we will treat the interior again free of charge.

Fun Flea Facts

A female flea can lay At a rate of 40 to 50 per day for around 50 days and about 2,000 eggs over the course of its life, but is incapable of laying eggs until after its first meal. A female flea will lay eggs within 35 to 48 hours of its first blood.