Controlling Roaches

Katie says control roaches with a clean home.

- Wash dishes daily.
- Keep food in the kitchen or dining room. Don’t snack in the living room or bedroom.
- Put all food in closed containers.
- Avoid standing liquids such as dishwater or water from leaking pipes. Drain water at the end of the day.
- Keep counters and floors clean from crumbs or spills.

- Plug holes where needed.
- Cover and seal indoor trash.
- Take out trash and newspapers regularly.
- Don’t leave pet food and water bowls out overnight.
- Inspect all baskets, bags, or boxes of food, firewood, and laundry that you bring into the house.
- Keep door and window screens in good repair.

Using Insecticides

- Buy roach insecticides at a grocery or feed store.
- Know how to use the insecticide. Read the label.
- Use the insecticide where the roaches run—under the sink, around pipes, under and around the stove, or along baseboards.

- Do not put around food or water you use.
- Do not use around dishes.
- Do not use around electrical outlets or light bulbs.
- Give the insecticide time to work.
- Renew insecticide according to the label.
Dear Friend,

Katie comes to you from your county Extension office. We can tell you many things about feeding and caring for your family. Come by or call the Extension office for free booklets.

Katie

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Keep your house clean.
• Wash dishes every day.
• Take out trash daily.
• Keep counters and floors clean.
• Put food in closed containers.

Use insecticides carefully.
• They are poisonous.
• Keep them away from children.
• Keep them away from food and dishes.

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