

# HOW TO AVOID PESTS IN YOUR HOME

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Accora Village is dedicated to ensuring your building is a clean, welcoming, and comfortable place for you to call home. It is important every member of our community plays a role in keeping their home and surrounding community clean and safe. Here are some important tips on how to prevent pests from entering your home:

- Do a thorough cleaning of your kitchen each night; sweep crumbs and wipe any food residue. Mop up spills or debris right away, and wipe all oil or food splatter from the backsplash.
- Keep your kitchen and bathroom sinks clean and dry.
- Keep all food in sealed containers, and keep fruits and vegetables in your refrigerator.
- Wash dishes, pots, and pans when you are finished using them. Avoid keeping dirty dishes in your sink or around your home.
- Clean your microwave, oven, and dishwasher on a regular basis.
- Clear the top of your refrigerator of food or debris.
- Avoid leaving damp towels or cloths on floors, counters, or any other surface.
- Wash your sheets, pillowcases, and comforters regularly. It is also best practice to flip your mattress every six months.
- Vacuum couches and carpets regularly.
- Do not leave standing water in your sinks or bathtubs.
- Check the pipes under your sinks for drips or leaks - if you notice any moisture, please contact us immediately.
- Prevent clutter around clothing, linens, food items, and papers that are left unchecked for long periods of time; these can become breeding places for pests.
- Do not bring plants from your balcony/patio into your home.
- Do not leave pet food out for grazing, as pests can live off pet food.
- Keep your balconies clean; please do not store any garbage, cardboard, car tires, or other items. Please use the extra storage in your building for any additional storage needs.
- Do not feed wild animals and birds.
- Ensure your window screens are completely sealed and do not have any rips.
- Keep your vents in the bathroom in working mode to prevent mold and outside accumulation.

## GET IN TOUCH

Please report any pest activity in your home or common areas as soon as possible. You can call 613-366-2539 at any time, or e-mail [connect@accoravillage.com](mailto:connect@accoravillage.com).