

PESTS COVERED: FLIES

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**AFTER - SERVICE CHECKLIST** 









## Habitat

This pest can be wide ranging depending upon breeding sites and climatic conditions.

Flies will thrive anywhere there is food, moisture and egg laying sites. The size of the population also depends on the climatic conditions, temperature, humidity, wind and odours.

Flies post considerable health risks to humans as they transmit diseases such as salmonella, dysentery, cholera, hepatitis and typhoid fever.

Flies feed on a wide range of materials and will feed anywhere that food or rubbish is left out, not cleaned up or not disposed of in the correct manner. Flies do not eat solids. They vomit saliva onto solids to moisten, then suck up what they can. Flies also excrete prior to a meal or just after. This is how the spread germs and disease that we cannot see.

## Post Treatment Recommendation

- **DO** vacate the premises for 4 hours after the treatment
- **DO** wipe down all food preparation area prior to commencing any food preparation
- **DO** wash any cooking utensils, cutlery or crockery
- **DO** wash any other items which were left out during the treatment
- **DO** wear gloves whilst carrying out the above and dispose of same when finished
- DO thoroughly wash hands after cleaning

## **Prevention Tips**

- Ensure all food is kept covered at all times
- Keep benches and floors clean
- Ensure rubbish is disposed of in sealed bags
- Ensure bins are cleaned and rubbish is removed daily
- Fit screens to doors and windows and keep them closed
- Fit doorstrips where possible