

Hello Everyone!

It is beginning to look a lot like Spring!

With Spring, comes thoughts of bugs. We are starting to get reports, especially Box Elder Bugs. (Below is more information on these little pests)

But, before we get into that, we have an update for you. As of March 8th, 2022, the pest control company has made some changes. Please update your contact for the Ehrlich/Eradico's email address to centralmarketadminteam@rentokil.com. This is the new email address that is being used by the Administration team to monitor and respond to customer inquiries vs the email address you currently are using to contact us. The email address you are currently sending requests to will no longer be monitored, so it's important to update your records.

Also, Streamwood Estates has a new account number. Please mark this down and be sure to include it on any email you send to the pest control company for service. Streamwood's account number is now: 1517046.



Now... back to the Box Elder Bugs... There have been a couple reports, and they are going to treat.... But, you are seeing the Box Elders outside as they are trying to leave your home after overwintering there. They hibernate inside of walls during the winter. The most successful treatment is in the fall when they swarm and enter. You may not see a lot of results from a Spring treatment depending on weather conditions and how many are present at the time. You can also use Dish soap and water in a spray bottle when you see them basking in the sun. It works very well!

These are black bugs, with red or orange markings.

They cannot and do not bite people.

They do not reproduce inside homes; only outside.

They feed upon the juice contained in seed of Boxelder Trees and Maple Trees.

Individual bugs only live for a few days up to a week.

Quick facts

- Boxelder bugs like warm areas and are attracted to buildings with a lot of southern or western exposure.
- The best time to control them is in the fall and is most effective by sealing openings and the timely use of insecticides
- They normally do not cause property damage, but they can potentially stain surfaces.
- Once they are indoors, the only practical control is physical removal.
- They are not a serious problem every year.

Thank you, everyone. Please let us know if you need anything!