

LANDSCAPING TIPS TO PROTECT YOUR FACILITY

The best offense when dealing with pests is a strong defense. And the landscaping choices outside your facility can contribute to pest activity on the inside. These simple tips can help keep your entire facility – inside and out – pest-free.



THOUGHTFUL PLANTING



Plant fewer blooming flowers as they attract bees and flying insects.



Avoid plants that produce nuts, fruits and seeds as these allure pests looking for food.



Avoid ground covering plants that provide harbourage to unwanted pests (insects and rodents are constantly looking for shelter).

LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE



Ensure water fountains and pools circulate water to prevent insect breeding.



Change water in bird baths, reflecting pools and other water features at least once a week.



Trim tree branches and shrubbery at least one metre from walls and windows.



Remove branches touching the roof as these can create a pathway for pests to get inside your facility.



Keep your grass mowed as taller grass provides harbourage to unwanted pests.

NATURAL DETERRANTS



Use pencil cedar mulch instead of organic mulch as cedar retains less moisture and can repel certain types of ants.



Move exterior lights away from the building entryways.



Install a one-metre gravel strip (made of 1 cm pebbles) around the entire perimeter of the facility to deter pests from crawling inside.



Reduce shade to reduce moisture (areas with more shade do not dry as quickly after rain).



PEST CONTROL DOWN TO A SCIENCE.™

THE BEST WAY TO KEEP YOUR FACILITY AND LANDSCAPE PEST-FREE IS TO STAY ONE STEP AHEAD. SO, SCHEDULE AN INSPECTION WITH YOUR LOCAL ORKIN CANADA BRANCH TO MAKE SURE YOU ARE PREPARED WITH THE RIGHT DEFENSE.

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