

Accurately Reporting Roach Activity – Accurately reporting German cockroach sightings is important because it helps target where the problem is active. Letting us know where and how often you see roaches allows us to focus treatment in the right areas, adjust products if needed, and track whether the population is going up or down. Early and accurate reports can catch new problem areas before they grow, helping the treatment work faster and reducing the chances of a bigger infestation later.

Hoarding/Clutter – German roaches live in tight cracks and inside clutter near kitchens and bathrooms. When clutter is present, roaches hide inside it, lay eggs there, and avoid the areas being treated. Removing clutter takes away their hiding places and lets the treatment reach them, which makes the service work faster and prevents reinfestation.

Unsanitary conditions – Unsanitary conditions in a home can greatly increase German roach populations because they provide the food and moisture roaches need to survive and reproduce. When there are dirty dishes, food debris, grease, overflowing trash, or spills roaches have constant access to food and water. Crumbs and grease build up in cracks where they can feed unnoticed. Trash and unwashed areas create ideal breeding sites. Sanitation problems often go hand-in-hand with clutter, giving them more hiding places. In short, unsanitary conditions remove the natural limits on roach survival — instead of starving, they thrive, breed faster, and spread throughout the home.

Excessive or old food debris – Removing excessive or old food debris is one of the most important steps in controlling German cockroaches. Roaches don't need much food to survive, and crumbs, grease, and leftover spills give them everything they need to keep breeding. When food is left out, even in small amounts, baits and treatments become less effective because roaches will choose the easy food source instead. By keeping kitchens and eating areas clean, wiping up spills, taking out trash regularly, and reducing food buildup under appliances, you remove their main food supply—making treatments work faster and helping prevent the roaches from coming back.

Skip/ refused – Skipping services can significantly slow down or reverse progress in German cockroach control. These roaches reproduce quickly, and their eggs keep hatching even after a treatment. Regular, on-schedule services are designed to break the life cycle by targeting adults and the newly hatched nymphs. When services are skipped, surviving roaches have time to rebuild their population, and infestations can return to previous levels or worse. Staying consistent with scheduled treatments is the best way to get control faster and keep the problem from coming back.

Self treating - Self-treating for German cockroaches can actually make professional control harder. Many over-the-counter sprays only kill the roaches you see and can drive others deeper into walls and cabinets, spreading the infestation. Some products can also repel roaches away from professional baits, making the baits less effective. In addition, incorrect placement or overuse of chemicals can be unsafe and won't address egg cases that are still hatching. Sticking with the professional treatment plan ensures the right products are used the right way to eliminate the entire population and prevent it from coming back.