

Cockroach Control

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Cockroach Control Service Request

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Another service of the Water Reclamation Division is treating public sewer lines to control roaches. This is a free service. To request this service, you may call the Cockroach Hotline at 873-7009, or you may make an Online Cockroach Prevention Request. The Water Authority receives up to 60 requests per day from April through September, so crews may require more time to spray a specific area during these months.

An Ongoing Effort

The Wastewater Division provides an ongoing effort to prevent cockroaches in the Water Authority's sanitary sewer manholes. All of the 34,000 manholes are treated twice a year for infestation. The product used to control the roaches is boric acid. Approximately one pound of boric acid is sprayed into each manhole through a hole in the center of the cover. The process does not require lifting the cover. While boric acid is very effective in killing cockroaches, it is not toxic to humans or animals.

How You Can Help Reduce Roaches

There are many things you can do to help prevent cockroaches in your area. To obtain more information, see our list of cockroach links below, or contact a pest control service.

[Roaches in the Sewer Brochure \(What to do and Who to call\) \(94Kb\)](#)

[Cockroach Control Links](#)

[Cockroach World](#)

"The Yuckiest Site on the Internet" is a website devoted to making it fun to learn about roaches. Contains stories, games, sound files and a wonderful array of graphics.

Cockroach Control Manual

An online manual that is very straightforward in its approach. Contains detailed information on cockroach biology, locating problem areas, control strategies, insecticides, cockroach identification, and much more.