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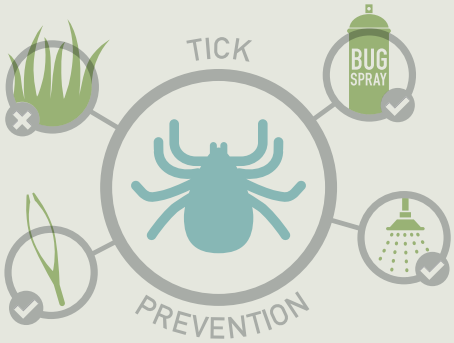
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Protect Yourself from Ticks

While it is a good idea to take preventive measures against ticks year-round, it's important to be extra vigilant in the warmer months when ticks are most active. To protect yourself, wear clothing that keeps ticks from reaching your skin, apply insect repellent that's labeled to repel ticks, and avoid wooded and bushy areas with high grass and leaf litter. You should also shower as soon as possible after coming indoors, perform daily tick checks, and examine gear and pets that ticks can hitch a ride on.

If you find a tick attached to your skin, use fine-tipped tweezers to grasp the tick as close to the skin's surface as possible. Pull upward with steady, even pressure. Don't twist or jerk the tick; this can cause the mouth-parts to break off and remain in the skin. After removing the tick, thoroughly clean the bite area and your hands with rubbing alcohol, an iodine scrub, or soap and water. If you develop a rash or fever within several weeks of removing a tick, see your doctor. Be sure to tell the doctor about your recent tick bite, when the bite occurred, and where you most likely acquired the tick.

For more information on ticks, please visit http://www.cdc.gov/ticks/



Know Your Air Quality

Check your air quality forecast at http://www.airnow.gov to find the best time for exercising or running outdoors. Knowing your air quality can help avoid aggravating respiratory problems such as asthma.

You can also try the AIRNow mobile app to get real-time air quality information where you are: http://m.epa.gov/apps/airnow.html

THINKING GREEN

Recycling Questions

Recycling is important, but it can also be confusing. The Earth911 website answers many of the recycling questions that you may have. You can learn more about recycling everything from shingles to mattresses. They also have a quick search available where you just type in your zip code and search for the item you want to recycle. Here are some recycling facts from the website:

Aluminum Cans: Aluminum is a sustainable metal and can be recycled over and over again. A can is generally turned into a new can and back on store shelves within 60 days. Cans are usually available through curb side pickup or community drop-off locations nationwide.

Rechargeable Batteries: Rechargeable batteries come in all shapes and sizes and are used across a wide variety of areas, from your car to your wireless phone. Many of the materials within these batteries, such as lead, plastic and metal, are recyclable. Rechargeable batteries can be recycled through mail-in, drop-off, or take-back programs. In fact, many states prohibit throwing batteries in the trash.

Glass Bottles & Jars: Glass is one of the few materials that can be recycled infinitely without losing strength, purity, or quality. Glass bottles and jars are collected in most U.S. communities at the curb, at drop-off collection sites, and through container deposit programs in 10 states.

For more information on recycling, visit: http://www.earth911.com/recycling/

Water-Saving Tips

When it comes to conserving water, small adjustments can have a big impact, such as fixing toilet leaks. Toilet leaks can be silent, so be sure to test for leaks at least once a year. You can put food coloring in your toilet tank. If it seeps into the bowl without flushing, there's a leak. Fix it and start saving gallons.

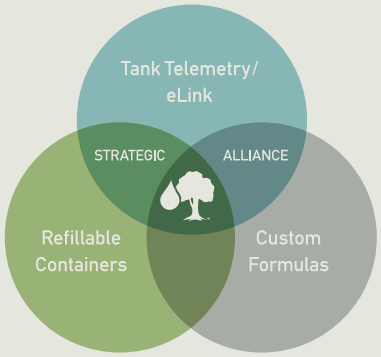
For more ways to conserve water, visit: http://wateruseitwisely.com/100-ways-to-conserve

A Strategic Alliance

If your company has multiple locations across the country, consider forging a strategic alliance with ChemStation. Our products are manufactured locally and are conveniently delivered into on-site, refillable containers. We have the ability to custom formulate as needed, and our professional sales and service team act as an extension of your staff. By partnering with ChemStation, you can have contract pricing for all your locations and central billing which offers a "big picture" view with concise control throughout your company.

By choosing ChemStation, you will also gain access to eLink and Tank Telemetry. With the Strategic Partner eLink, you can view each of your locations and products online, access MSDSs, and view delivery information anytime. Tank Telemetry allows you to view tank levels, demand forecasting information right on your computer screen, and track product usage more efficiently. This allows a continuous supply of product to your facility and eliminates excess product inventory.

Whether your company has several locations or one location, ChemStation can be the solution for all your cleaning and process chemical needs!



The Power of White Vinegar

Just a bit of this multitasker, straight up or mixed with water, can replace many pricier products huddled under your sink. Try these tips to see how vinegar can make your life cheaper and easier.

Freshen up the fridge. Clean the shelves and walls with a solution of half water and half vinegar.

Brighten coffee cups and teacups. Gently scrub stains with equal parts vinegar and salt (or baking soda).

Eliminate odors. Swab plastic containers with a cloth dampened with vinegar.

Banish weeds. Pour white distilled vinegar on the weeds growing in the cracks of your walkway and driveway. Saturate the plant so the vinegar reaches the roots.

Prevent cracked eggs. Prevent eggs from cracking as they hard-boil by adding two tablespoons of white vinegar to the water. The eggs will stay intact, and the shells will peel off more easily when you're ready to eat them.

Loosen a rusted screw. Pour vinegar onto the screw, and it will easily unstick.



SOAPBOX

There are no limits to what you can accomplish when you are supposed to be doing something else.

Regret doesn't remind us that we did badly. It reminds us that we know we can do better. – *Kathryn Schulz*

Advice is what we ask for when we already know the answer but wish we didn't.

Winners are not people who never fail but people who never quit.

It's amazing how quickly the kids learn to drive a car, yet are unable to understand the lawn mower, snow blower, and vacuum cleaner. – *Ben Bergor*

When I get real bored, I like to drive downtown and get a great parking spot, then sit in my car and count how many people ask me if I'm leaving.

There are two kinds of people, those who finish what they start and so on. – *Robert Byrne*

A genius is one who shoots at something no one else can see – and hits it.

I like the word "indolence." It makes my laziness seem classy. – *Bern Williams*

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