

Organic Facility Pest Management

Prevention

Be proactive to prevent and exclude pests. Practice good sanitation. Remove pest access, habitat, food sources, and breeding areas. Manage temperature, light, humidity, and air circulation. Monitor regularly. [205.271\(a\)](#)

Mechanical & Physical Controls

When prevention hasn't worked, traps, light, sound, lures, or repellents (using non-synthetic or synthetic substances consistent with the National List) may be used. [205.271\(b\)](#)

National List Product

If the above methods are not effective to prevent or control pests, then a nonsynthetic or synthetic substance consistent with the National List of Allowed and Prohibited Substances may be applied. [205.271\(c\)](#)

Synthetic

Lastly, a synthetic substance not on the National List may be applied provided that the handler and certifying agent agree on the substance, method of application, and measures to be taken to prevent substance's contact with organically produced products or ingredients. [205.271\(d\)](#)

Get in touch with your certifier for product approval and be sure to update your Organic System Plan! [205.271\(e\)](#)

See [205.271](#) Facility Pest Management Practice Standard