

Building and Construction Pest Preventative Measures Checklist

This pest inspection checklist is designed for use during the construction of new buildings or renovations. Identifying and sealing pest entry points during building projects prevents future infestations inside the structure.

- ☐ Seal all exterior cracks, gaps, and openings throughout the building envelope to prevent pest entry into walls and voids.
- ☐ Install door sweeps on all exterior doors to seal the gap between the door and the threshold and prevent pests from crawling under doors.
- ☐ Examine all vent, window, and door screens for holes or damage. Replace screens in poor condition.
- ☐ Carefully inspect where the foundation, roofline, pipes, and vents meet the building exterior. Seal any gaps and openings.
- ☐ Cover air intake vents and attic vents with fine mesh screening to prevent the entry of flying insects.
- ☐ Use durable, pest-proof materials like silicone caulk, copper mesh, and expandable foam to seal gaps and holes at all entry points.
- ☐ Verify roof eaves and overhangs are properly sealed to stop pests from accessing the structure from above.
- ☐ Document inspection results and ensure all contractors seal pest entry points found during construction.

