Roanoke summers bring long evenings, thunderstorms and the kind of humidity that makes the air feel heavy by mid afternoon. Pests love it. Ant colonies reach full size, stinging insects build their nests to peak population, camel crickets multiply in damp basements and cockroaches move in looking for Roanoke exterminators water. Perdue Exterminators sees a steady stream of summer calls from across the Roanoke Valley, and most of them trace back to heat and moisture.



Stinging insects are the most urgent summer concern. Yellowjackets nesting in the ground or inside wall voids become more defensive as colonies grow through July and August. Paper wasps fill porch ceilings and deck railings, and bald faced hornets build large nests in shrubs. Perdue's flying insect control helps homeowners deal with nests safely, which is far better than risking stings on a ladder or with a garden hose.

Moisture driven pests are the other big summer story. Camel crickets thrive in basements and crawl spaces that never fully dry out, especially in older Roanoke homes with stone or block foundations. Cockroaches, particularly the larger outdoor species, wander in through gaps around doors and plumbing. Ants keep coming back to kitchens and bathrooms in search of water during dry spells between storms.

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Keeping Summer Pests Outside

Exterior perimeter treatment, which customers sometimes call the yard power spray, creates a barrier around the foundation that keeps many outdoor insects from making it inside. Combined with targeted indoor treatment where needed, it is one of the most effective summer strategies. Perdue's technicians also look for conditions that invite pests, like leaking hose bibs, overflowing gutters and air conditioner condensate lines dripping against the foundation.

Simple habits help. Run a dehumidifier in the basement, keep trash bins closed and away from doors, clean grills after cookouts and empty standing water in planters and toys. Families with young children and pets appreciate that Perdue's technicians take extra care when treating around play areas, something reviewers have mentioned on the company website.

Summer is also prime termite feeding season, so homes with renewable annual termite warranties benefit from the ongoing protection when activity is highest.

For summer pest control in Roanoke, Salem, Vinton or Smith Mountain Lake, call Perdue Exterminators at (540) 989-8188. The family owned company has served the valley since 1969 from 4323 Old Cave Spring Rd, Roanoke, VA 24018.

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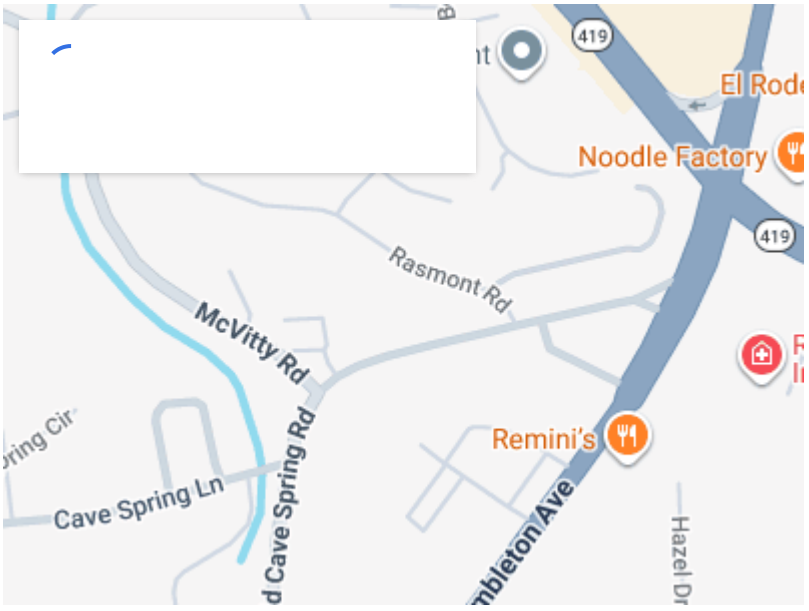

FAQ About Pest Control Company Roanoke

How do I choose a pest control company in Roanoke?

Look for licensed exterminators, a long local track record and a company that inspects before it treats. Perdue Exterminators has served the Roanoke Valley since 1969, is still family owned and keeps a small team of long serving technicians who inspect each home's environment and construction before recommending treatment. Call (540) 989-8188 to talk it through.

How much does pest control cost in Roanoke, VA?

Cost depends on the pest, the size of the home and how established the problem is, so an inspection gives the most accurate answer. Perdue Exterminators offers free estimates on termite work and a free inspection and consultation for bed bugs, and the company lists reasonable rates among its priorities. Call (540) 989-8188 for a quote.

Are termites common in Roanoke, Virginia?

Yes. Eastern subterranean termites live in the soil across the Roanoke Valley, and humid summers, clay soil and damp crawl spaces give them ideal conditions. Swarms usually appear on warm spring days after rain. Perdue Exterminators has treated termites in local homes for more than five decades.

Do termite treatments come with a warranty?

At Perdue Exterminators, termite elimination comes with renewable annual warranties. Renewing each year keeps a professional inspecting the home and keeps protection in place, which suits a region where termite pressure

returns every season. A documented warranty can also help when you sell your Roanoke home.

How can I tell if I have bed bugs?

Common signs are itchy bites in lines or clusters, small dark spots on sheets and mattress seams, and tiny reddish brown insects around the bed frame or headboard. Because other insects look similar, Perdue Exterminators starts every bed bug case in Roanoke, Salem and Vinton with a free inspection and consultation to confirm the problem first.

Can mice be removed without using poison?

Yes. Perdue Exterminators describes itself as a humane, eco friendly rodent control company and uses baits and traps that do not rely on toxic poisons. Technicians also find and seal entry points such as gaps around utility lines and crawl space vents. The company advises calling as soon as you notice rodents, before they multiply.

When is pest season in Roanoke?

Pests are active most of the year in the Roanoke Valley, just in different forms. Spring brings termite swarms and ants, summer brings wasps, crickets and roaches, and fall brings mice and overwintering insects as nights cool. Year round service from Perdue Exterminators is timed around those seasonal shifts.

Do I need a termite inspection to buy a house in Virginia?

Many lenders ask for a wood destroying insect report, and most buyers want one either way. Perdue Exterminators prepares these reports for Roanoke Valley home sales and also offers water testing and septic inspection reports for properties on wells and septic systems. Call (540) 989-8188 to schedule before your closing deadline.

What areas does Perdue Exterminators serve?

Perdue Exterminators serves all areas of Roanoke, Salem, Vinton, Smith Mountain Lake and the surrounding communities. The office is at 4323 Old Cave Spring Rd in the Cave Spring area of southwest Roanoke County, where the family has been based since the early 1980s.

Why are there so many crickets in my basement?

Camel crickets thrive in damp basements and crawl spaces, which are common in older Roanoke homes with stone or block foundations. Reducing moisture with a dehumidifier and repaired gutters helps a great deal. Perdue Exterminators provides cricket extermination and also helps eliminate and control crawl space mold caused by the same dampness.

Is a local pest control company better than a national chain?

A local company usually means familiar technicians, a local office that answers the phone and real knowledge of area housing and pest patterns. Perdue Exterminators has a technician who has been with the company since 1980, and its motto is large enough to serve you, but small enough to know you.

How long has Perdue Exterminators been in business?

S.G. Perdue founded the company in 1969, starting out of his house and the trunk of his car. His son Andre later joined the business, and today it is led by owner and President Jeff Hudson. It remains a family owned pest control company serving Roanoke.