

WHO WE ARE:

TEXANS for ALTERNATIVES to PESTICIDES (TAP) is the only organization in Texas that focuses exclusively on reducing pesticide use (i.e., herbicides, insecticides, fungicides and rodenticides) in our environment. Consumers have limited knowledge of the health hazards associated with pesticides, which result in careless application and toxic mixing without regard to combined toxicity. Established in June 1999 by concerned citizens, TAP's mission is: "to reduce the use of pesticides in homes, schools and public places."

WHERE CAN YOU GET MORE INFO?

Call us: (713) 523-2827

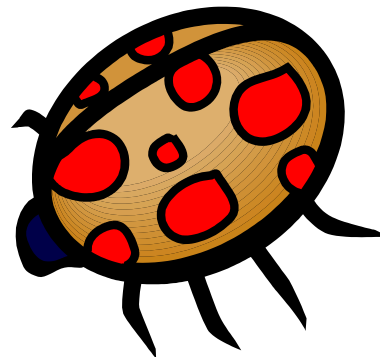
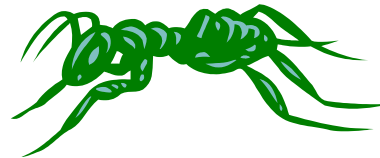
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Friends or foes?



**PESTICIDES HURT
PEOPLE!!!**

Pesticides hurt pets!



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WHEN YOU SPRAY POISONS:

Who gets hurt?

- ❑ Bugs
- ❑ Birds
- ❑ People
- ❑ Pets
- ❑ Waterways
- ❑ Beneficial Insects

IF YOU DON'T SPRAY – WHAT CAN YOU DO?

- ❑ Step on the bug
- ❑ Use a fly-swatter
- ❑ Protect good bugs
- ❑ Use non-toxic products
- ❑ Use organic products to repel bugs

INSTEAD OF:

HERBICIDES

- ❖ Mow lawn to 3” height
This fights chinch bugs
- ❖ Mulch grass clippings
and don't bag them
This helps good
microbes grow

INSECTICIDES

- ❖ Block entrances where
bugs come inside
- ❖ Keep counters and
floors clean
- ❖ Make sure there is no
standing water
- ❖ Use repellants, such as
cedar products

WORK WITH NATURE

NOT AGAINST NATURE

The best way to deal with troublesome insects outside is to allow them to control themselves. Nature provides beautiful checks and balances if we allow them to function.

Using pesticides to control insects upsets this balance. Research shows that a mere 1% of pesticides applied to plants reaches its ultimate target, the bad bugs. The remaining 99% pollutes and poisons the air, soil, water, beneficial bugs, animals and people!

DID YOU KNOW:

Gardeners use 10 times more poisons than farmers!