

Top 10 Tips...

For Silverfish Control

- 1 The Silverfish:** A cigar-shaped, silver-grey, wingless insect about 12mm long. Moves quickly and has three long bristles at the tail end.
- 2 Recognise the signs :** Silverfish are nocturnal, so not easy to spot. Look out for damp, dark areas with small spots of excrement. Small holes and yellowish stains on clothing, wallpaper, cereal boxes and other cardboard or fabric materials are also common.
- 3 Damage to stock:** While silverfish are harmless to humans, they do cause damage to clothing, books, papers, food and wallpaper.
- 4 Control areas of damp:** Silverfish are attracted to damp, dark conditions, such as cellars, underneath sinks and around pipes. You can deter them by fixing areas persistently affected by damp.
- 5 Dehumidify:** If you have a room that is particularly damp, use a dehumidifier to avoid creating an environment attractive to Silverfish.
- 6 Cleaning and hygiene:** Silverfish feed on books, dead skin cells, and other starchy materials. Keep areas tidy and avoid storing cardboard boxes and newspapers.



- 7 Deny entry:** Stop these pests entering your property by sealing gaps around doors, windows and where utility lines enter.
- 8 Act immediately:** Silverfish can lay eggs at any time of the year and grow from larva to adult in 3-4 months, so it doesn't take long for a handful of these pests to turn into an infestation.
- 9 Treatment:** Spray harbourages with insecticide or insect powder labelled for control of silverfish.
- 10 Call a Professional:** Any significant Silverfish infestation should be tackled by a professional. Monitor will implement an Integrated Pest Management (IPM) approach, which will eliminate infestations quickly and efficiently.



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