

BREAK THE CYCLE

13 WAYS TO KEEP YOUR HOME FLEA-FREE

OUTSIDE

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SECURELY CLOSE UP ALL CRAWL SPACES
KEEP DEAD LEAVES AND OVERGROWN BRUSH
AWAY FROM THE HOUSE FOUNDATION

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CUT THE GRASS, REMOVE WEEDS AND ELIMINATE
LEAF DEBRIS FROM THE LAWN AREA AND FROM
AROUND THE BASE OF TREES

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FLEAS PREFER HUMID, SHADY, AND MOIST AREAS
AND DO NOT THRIVE IN HOT, SUNNY LAWNS

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DISCOURAGE STRAY ANIMALS AND WILDLIFE
THAT CAN BRING FLEAS ON YOUR PROPERTY
REMOVE UNEATEN PET FOOD AND FOOD BOWLS
SEAL TRASH IN CLOSED-LID CONTAINERS AND
OUT OF REACH OF WILDLIFE OR STRAY ANIMALS

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FENCE OFF PROPERTY TO KEEP STRAYS AND
WILDLIFE OUT OF YARD AND AWAY FROM HOUSE

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AVOID ELEVATING STORAGE BUILDINGS

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REGULARLY INSPECT DOG HOUSES AND BEDDING
FOR FLEA INFESTATIONS
VACUUMING, CLEANING AND DISINFECTING WILL
NEED TO BE COMPLETED REGULARLY

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REGULARLY CLEAN SOFT CUSHIONED LAWN
FURNITURE THAT IS LEFT OUTSIDE, AS IT CAN
PROVIDE THE WARM AND MOIST ENVIRONMENT
WHERE FLEAS THRIVE

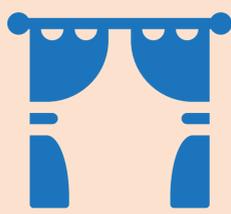
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REGULARLY VACUUM THE INSIDE OF YOUR VEHICLE IF YOUR PET TRAVELS WITH YOU OFTEN

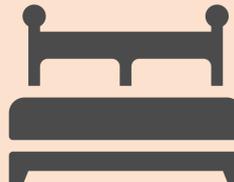
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CURTAINS ABSORB WARMTH FROM THE SUN OR
HEATERS AND ACCUMULATE DUST/ PET DANDER
VACUUM CURTAINS OR, IF POSSIBLE, WASH
IN HOT WATER AND HANG TO DRY IN THE SUN

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WHEN ANIMALS SLEEP IN OUR BEDS, FLEAS OF
ALL STAGES CAN BE FOUND IN BEDDING
WASH BEDDING FREQUENTLY IN HOT WATER AND
HANG TO DRY IN THE SUNLIGHT

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WHEN ANIMALS SIT, WALK, AND SLEEP ON
FURNITURE FLEAS OF ALL STAGES CAN BE FOUND
IN THE FABRIC AND CUSHIONS
VACUUM SURFACES, MAKING SURE TO REACH
DOWN BETWEEN THE SIDES AND SWEEP THE
CREVICES OF THE FURNITURE.

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DUST AND PET DANDER CAN ACCUMULATE IN
CARPET THREAD
A VACUUM WILL PICK UP EGGS AND ADULT FLEAS,
BUT FLEA LARVAE WILL CLING TO CARPET
FLEAS CAN BE FOUND IN THE CRACKS BETWEEN
THE BOARDS OF HARDWOOD FLOORING

FUN FACT

The domestic cat flea is the most common species in North America.

1 Flea Eggs



• incubate best in areas with high humidity and warm temperatures

2 Flea Larvae

• feed on organic debris found in the host animal's environment

Flea Life Cycle

4 Adult Fleas

- feed on blood
- cannot survive or lay eggs without first consuming a blood meal
- a female flea can lay up to 50 eggs/day
- average adult flea lays over 2000 eggs in its lifetime

3 Flea Pupae

Break the Cycle

- An effective flea-control strategy works to break flea life-cycle by eliminating not only the adult fleas, but by killing the flea eggs and larvae.
- The home should be treated to kill fleas in all stages.
- It is important to consult with your vet to determine which flea products is best for your pet.
- Some flea products are toxic to cats and improper dosing of any product on dogs and cats can cause health issues.