A buzzing sound coming from inside a wall, a steady line of bees flying in and out of a gap in the siding, or a swarm hanging from a backyard tree can stop a Roanoke family in its tracks. Bee problems are not something most people want to tackle themselves, and for good reason. Perdue Exterminators has helped homeowners across the Roanoke Valley deal with bees and other stinging insects, and one customer on the company website simply wrote, thank you so much for taking care of our bee problem.

The first step is figuring out exactly which insect is involved. Honeybees, bumblebees, carpenter bees, yellowjackets and wasps behave very differently, and the right approach depends on the species and where the colony has settled. Honeybees are valuable pollinators and are often handled differently from aggressive yellowjackets. Perdue's insect identification service helps homeowners understand what they are facing before any action is taken.

Carpenter bees are among the most common bee complaints in Roanoke. They bore perfectly round holes into fascia boards, eaves, deck railings and wooden outdoor furniture, then tunnel along the grain to lay eggs. A few holes may not seem serious, but they come back to the same wood year after year, expanding the tunnels. Woodpeckers hunting for the larvae can then cause even more damage to siding and trim.

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## When Bees Get Into Walls

Colonies that move into wall voids, soffits or chimneys need careful handling. Sealing the entrance hole without dealing with the colony can force bees into the living space, and honeycomb left inside a wall can attract other pests and stain drywall as it breaks down. That is why it pays to call a professional instead of plugging the hole and hoping for the best.

Safety comes first, especially around children, pets and anyone with a sting allergy. Keep people away from the nest entrance, avoid mowing over ground nests and never try to knock down a nest from a ladder. Late summer is when stinging insect colonies are largest and most defensive, so dealing with problems early in the season is far easier.

Perdue's flying insect control covers bees, wasps, hornets and other flying pests around homes and businesses, from porch ceilings in Vinton to boathouses at Smith Mountain Lake.

If you have a bee or stinging insect problem in Roanoke, Salem, Vinton or the lake area, 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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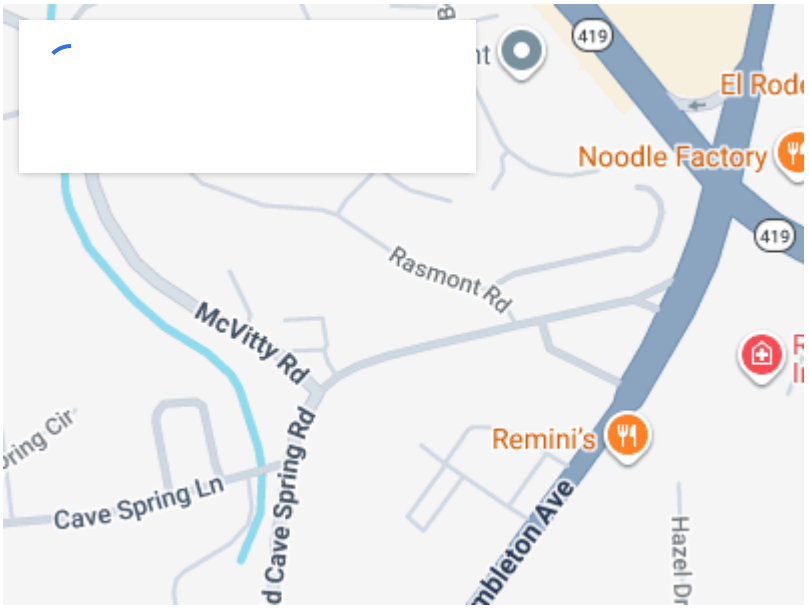


## FAQ About Pest Control Company Roanoke

### 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.