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Build business and trust with customer service

When we ask some of the most successful professionals what the secret to their growth is, we hear the same answer time and time again: customer service.

You can't always win on factors like price or scheduling. But we've found businesses who meet the expectations they set are the ones who innovate and succeed.

Here are some of the easiest ways to apply that to your operations.



- 1. Listen past the ask: There's what your customers say they want, and what they need. Try to deliver solutions to the root cause of their problems.
- 2. Communicate clearly: If there are going to be delays, let customers know. Break down pricing. Set expectations and you'll quickly earn trust.
- **3. Deliver on promises:** Once you've given your word, keep it, even if it means extra work. A loss today could mean a loyal customer for life.
- 4. Honesty works: Even if it isn't pretty, most customers will appreciate the hard truth. Give them the answers you have and the options available.
- 5. Stay positive: Your customers may already be going through a rough time. That's why they called you! Help them believe it will all be okay.



Termite infestations can ruin your customers' otherwise worry-free summer leisure.

That's why you should take the <u>Termite Biology & Pest Identification course from ProTraining</u>. The course focuses on understanding termite biology and being able to tell pest species apart in your area.

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Promotions valid June 1-30, 2019



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Creature Feature House Mosquitoes

Two house mosquitoes are present in the United States: the northern house mosquito and the southern house mosquito. The northern house mosquito was introduced from North Africa and is present across the northern US; the southern house mosquito was introduced from Southeast Asia as is present across the southern US. There is a hybrid zone where these mosquitoes meet and are able to produce viable offspring, indicating they are probably subspecies instead of two separate species.

House mosquitoes can vector West Nile virus (and other diseases that may cause encephalitis) from birds to humans and horses. They are more likely to vector these diseases in urban areas because of their preference for living and breeding near humans. Since house mosquitoes overwinter as adults, they are often found in structures during cold temperatures. Females may bite when indoor heating or the weather becomes warm enough. Although they will breed



anywhere water is allowed to accumulate, they prefer to lay eggs in stagnant water rich in organic matter, as in sewage or drainage systems and in pastures.

Removing standing water on properties reduces house mosquito populations. Otherwise, insect growth regulators (IGRs) labeled for mosquitoes can be applied to standing water in items such as planter saucers, bird baths and gutters to prevent larvae from developing into adults. Apply liquid residual insecticides to adult mosquito resting sites under shady and secluded areas such as foliage, eaves and decks.

Significant populations of overwintering adults can be treated with liquid residual insecticides to reduce the number of adults that will emerge in the spring.

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Products to use



Talstar Professional Insecticide

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With the catastrophic flooding in the Midwest and an exceptionally rainy winter on the West Coast, many parts of the country will present favorable conditions for heavy mosquito populations as the warmer summer weather approaches. With larger mosquito populations come the enhanced risk for the spread of mosquito-borne diseases.

Treating standing water with larvicides will play a critical role in preventing these mosquito populations from exploding and will help keep the numbers in check. When applied to the standing water where mosquitoes lay their eggs, larvicides interrupt the life cycle, preventing development beyond the pupal stage. This keeps the insects from growing into breeding, biting adults that pose a nuisance and public health threat in the community.

When applying larvicides, there are a number of standing water sites such as catch basins, storm drains, woodland ponds, artificial containers, water detention pools and roadside ditches that should be considered potential breeding grounds. Because no two mosquito habitats are alike, it is important to match the proper larvicide formulation with the application site and targeted length of residual control.

Recent third-party studies were conducted by Entomology Consultants, L.L.C. to study efficacy levels of popular larvicides in a controlled environment. The test species was the Culex quinquefasciatus (commonly known as the southern house mosquito); every treatment group was provided the same conditions. The study confirmed that three Altosid® formulations met or exceeded label claims of residual control: 30 days for Altosid® Pellets, 21 days for Altosid® XR-G granules and 35 days for Altosid® P35 granule formulation. Study results also show that competitive larvicides fell short of their stated label claims resulting in a decline of efficacy and mosquito population control.

Selecting the right larvicide can be difficult given the vast amount of options and label claims. To make the best choice, it is important to have all of the facts. To learn more about the study and the Altosid® IGR family of target-specific larvicides, visit www. centralmosquitocontrol.com.

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