

## When to call in the professionals

If your pest infestation is serious, it may be time to call in the professionals. "Homeowners can look for a reputable pest control company on our website ([www.sapca.org.za](http://www.sapca.org.za)). All our members are listed with their contact details as well as the region. SAPCA members adhere to a protocol of good practice, which commits them to ethical business practices. We suggest that homeowners get at least three quotes to make the right choice of what they can afford," says Lynette Cokayne, CEO of the South African Pest Control Association (SAPCA). "When working with pesticides/chemicals it is necessary to make use of a qualified pest control operator. According to Act 36 of 1947: 'Any person who reward or in the course of a business, industry or trade uses an agricultural remedy must register as a Pest Control Operator in terms of the Fertilizers, Farm feeds, Agricultural remedies and Stock remedies Act 35 of 1947'. The Department issues a P (Permanent) number certificate which will indicate the field of qualification, such as structural pest control, weed control, fumigation etc. The public is welcome to contact SAPCA for more information.



### *Sources*

*Bayer, tel: 011-921-5000, [www.bayerhome.co.za](http://www.bayerhome.co.za)  
South African Pest Control Association (SAPCA),  
tel: 0861-114-556, [www.sapca.org.za](http://www.sapca.org.za)*