

Introduction to Safe Handling of Collections – additional resources

The following list of resources was compiled in October 2021 to support the MDEM training film *Introduction to Safe Handling of Collections*:

[Why aren't you wearing gloves? The conservators' guide to object handling in the British Museum](#) is a short film about whether or not you should wear gloves when handling particular collections

[Moving a Small Painting](#) – short film made by the Cornwall Museums Partnership

[Moving a Large Painting](#) - short film made by the Cornwall Museums Partnership

The Canadian Conservation Institute (CCI) has a comprehensive set of free downloadable resources available on their [website](#) with specific advice on handling objects [here](#)

The Museum of London [Hazards in Collections](#) eTool is an excellent resource

SHARE Museums East has produced a helpful guide on [Hazards in Museum Collections](#) and this guidance on [Handling and Moving Museum Objects](#)

[What's Eating Your Collection?](#) is a very helpful interactive website that will help you to identify any insects that you find at your site and show you what action you need to take.

You can order a free copy of the English Heritage 'Insect Pests found in Historic Houses and Museums' [here](#)

English Heritage – [Guidelines for insect pest management in English Heritage Historic Properties](#)

There is a downloadable set of [Pest Fact Sheets](#) on the Collections Trust website.

[Museumpests.net](#) developed by the integrated pest management working group is a wide-ranging source of information and support for those implementing integrated pest management policies and procedures in collections-holding and cultural heritage institutions.

This is the [link](#) to the South West Museum Development 'Pest Partners' project resources, including The Museum Life of Pests film and several other 'how-to' films covering setting and monitoring traps and examining and treating objects.

The book *Pests in Houses Great and Small: Identification, Prevention, Eradication* by David Pinniger and Dee Lauder (English Heritage, 2018) is an excellent source of information on this topic.

Museum of London e-learning tool [Introduction to museum pests](#)

The Collections Trust [website](#) has a huge selection of free downloadable collections care resources.