

BED BUG PREP SHEET

DECLUTTER AND CLEAN

Any old papers, books, movies, DVDs, VHS tapes which are no longer in use, now is the time to get rid of them. Bedbugs can and will hide in these. Basic rule of thumb: If you haven't used it in the last 6 months chances are you will not use it in the next 6. Get rid of it. Place all items in a heavy duty garbage bag in the room you are working in and seal tightly with a zip tie and transfer immediately to an outside garbage receptacle away from dwelling.

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CLOTHING and DRAWERS

Take clothing and ALL other belongings out of all drawers, nightstands, tables, closets, wardrobes and similar storage areas and launder as per directions located on the next item. Ensure all garments are transported from the infested area in sealed bags or containers when transporting to the laundry facility to prevent spreading of the insects to non-infested areas. Discard plastic bags used to transport items immediately in an exterior garbage bin. **DO NOT REUSE BAGS TO TRANSPORT ITEMS BACK TO YOUR HOME.** Any loose clothing (garments found outside of a dresser, under the bed or closet) must be bagged and laundered as per "Laundry Directions." Discard plastic bags used for transportation of these items into an exterior garbage bin.

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LAUNDRY DIRECTIONS: LAUNDERED ITEMS MUST REMAIN OUT OF THE TREATMENT AREA

It is necessary that all garments be dried in the dryer on high heat for 15-30 minutes. This will kill all live bedbugs and their eggs. Remove all blankets, sheets, covers, pillows, bath towels, and drapes/curtains from all rooms and place them into bags for transport to the laundry. It is also recommended that any unused clothing be placed in garbage bags or sealed bins for the duration of treatment. Laundered items must remain out of treatment area during service.

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BEDDING, PILLOWS, DRAPERY

Remove all bedding AND pillows. Place in SEALED bags and take to the laundry room where they can be placed directly into dryer for 15-30 minutes. Remove drapery in rooms, bag and immediately launder professionally or place in dryer per label instructions. Alternatively, you may vacuum and treat with steam while hanging

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OTHER ITEMS ON AND UNDER DRESSERS, BEDS, NIGHTSTANDS, ETC.

REMOVE AND PLACE ALL ITEMS IN CENTER OF ROOM. Please make sure all furniture and personal items are 18 inches from the wall. Articles under the beds provide an ideal place for bedbugs to hide. All clothing or garments must be bagged and dried on high heat. Larger items which were previously stored under the bed should not be moved as bedbugs may be relocated into other areas of the structure. (This does NOT include loose papers, throw these away if no longer needed)

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OUTLET AND LIGHT SWITCH COVERS

Remove all electrical wall plates, phone jack plates and light switch covers in ALL bedrooms and living rooms. This only needs to be completed for the first treatment so the technician can place non-conductive dust in these spots. After the initial the covers can be replaced.

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WALL HANGINGS

Remove paintings, picture frames, mirrors, and anything else from walls. Bedbugs will hide behind these, especially close to the problem areas. After the initial service these may be able to be replaced back on the wall, your technician will let you know.

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KITCHEN AND FOOD

All open food in kitchen must be sealed in ziplock baggies or placed inside of refrigerator. Coffee pots and small appliances may be covered with plastic bags or towels

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CLEANING BEFORE TREATMENT

Vacuum, sweep and mop all floors in home extensively. Remove the vacuum bag immediately and discard in an exterior garbage receptacle

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MATTRESS AND BOX SPRING COVERS

Zip up covers for all of your mattresses and box springs must be purchased prior to initial service. PLEASE ENSURE THAT THESE ARE RATED FOR BED BUGS. If you cannot install them yourself a technician will be happy to help you.

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DUE TO THE NATURE OF THESE TREATMENTS THERE WILL BE A CHARGE (\$75-\$150) FOR CANCELLATIONS LESS THAN 24 HOURS PRIOR TO THE INITIAL TREATMENT

(A simple phone call 24 hours prior to cancel or postpone will suffice in order to reroute our techs.)

It is **REQUIRED** for you and your pets to vacate the premises during both the initial service, and follow up services, and to not re-enter until at least 4 hours after treatment.

Fish aquariums may be left on site, however, they should be covered with a plastic garbage bag and air filters must be disconnected.

DO NOT DISRUPT YOUR SLEEPING HABITS OR THROW AWAY FURNITURE

This includes changing where you sleep, throwing away furniture, etc. This could spread the bed bugs to other areas of your home or disrupt the treatment process.

DO NOT PILE ANY OF YOUR BELONINGS ON YOUR FURNITURE

The main focus of treatment is your beds, couches, and chairs. If you pile belongings on this furniture it makes it impossible for the technician to complete service.

AFTER TREATMENT

*****WARNING: Bare flooring (wood, tile, etc) may be slippery*** USE CAUTION****
(Wipe any slippery flooring with a towel and wash towel in washing machine)

Enter unit and open windows to ventilate. Please EXIT unit for 30 minutes while ventilating.

Wash all surfaces (counters, tables etc) with soapy water

Vacuum once a day THOROUGHLY for 2 weeks

DO NOT mop floors earlier than 24 hours to first follow up visit. Sweeping is fine.

Continue to wash and dry ALL bedding 2x a week until treatment program is complete.

PLEASE NOTE: TREATMENT WILL NOT BE COMPLETED IF THIS PREP LIST IS NOT COMPLETED PRIOR TO SERVICE. IF A TECHNICIAN ARRIVES AND DETERMINES PREP IS NOT COMPLETED YOU MAY BE LIABLE FOR A CANCELLATION FEE AND WILL BE RESCHEDULED TO A FUTURE DATE.