



Bed Bug Treatment Preparation Instructions

Treatment Date:

Time:

Laundry-

1. Place all laundry/linens (clothes, towels, bedding, curtains) in plastic trash bags and seal them tightly to prevent the escape of bed bugs. (Dry clean-only clothing can be left hanging in closets)
2. Laundry bag should be opened and emptied INTO dryer OR washing machine to process and kill any bed bugs/eggs. Laundry/linens do NOT need to be washed before drying, it is heat that kills them.
 - Washing machine loads should use hot water cycle.
 - Dryer loads should be run on high heat for 30 minutes OR 60 minutes on low heat for delicates. Ensure proper heating by NOT overfilling dryer.
 - Dispose of all bags in outdoor trash receptacles to prevent bed bugs from escaping interior trash containers.
3. Place all processed laundry/linens into NEW trash bags and seal them tightly to prevent contamination of processed laundry. Mark all processed bags of laundry as "CLEAN".
4. Depending on the space allowed, place bagged laundry in bathroom or kitchen so it doesn't interfere with flipping furniture.

Access-

- Pull all belongings and furniture 18" from walls including closets to allow access to baseboards and electrical outlets for inspection/treatment.
- Empty luggage, bureaus, night stands, desks of items and place items in small boxes or bags so they can be accessed for inspection and moved by pest control as needed.
- Empty floor space of closets to allow treatment of baseboards.
- Remove pictures, mirrors, hanging decorations from walls and place them on table or counter-tops for inspection and treatment. If treated, they will be placed on floor for drying.
- Unplug all electronics to allow pest control to remove outlet covers for treatment into wall voids.
- Water beds must be drained.
- Clean floor of toys, trash belongings. Empty dishes, toys or sensitive items from beneath beds for treatment.

Precautions & Disclosure-

- Pets should be removed from unit for duration of treatment and 4 hour re-entry interval. If you cannot remove pet, they can be left in the bathroom with a towel placed against bottom of door. Leave a note on the door to notify pest control of pet inside. Drape a towel over any aquariums, terrariums and make sure to shut off heat lamps and air pumps to prevent fire hazard. Contact pet dealer if turning these off may risk the health of your pet(s).
- Once treatment begins, you cannot re-enter the apartment for four hours so be sure to remove any medications, cell phone, money, keys, any items you may need during that time.
- Do not apply any pesticides to treat for bed bugs yourself. Self treatment products are usually repellents and cause bed bugs to scatter into walls and can prolong the amount of treatments, sometimes for months. It can also spread the bed bugs into other apartments.
- Dismantling of furniture may be required for treatment. Some items may not be re-assembled.
- Pest control will remove and discard the cloth coverings from beneath ALL furniture and will not be replaced.
- Apartments are safe to re-enter after the re-entry time posted on the door hangar outside the entry door. If you experience any unpleasant smells, open windows to help reduce the odor.
- Please notify your landlord, property manager or pest control if there are any pregnancies or medical concerns with the treatment. We can send pesticide label(s) and Safety Data Sheet(s) to discuss with your doctor prior to treatment.