

## Preparation for Bed Bug Treatment

## **In Preparation of Treatment**

Please Note: If housekeeping is consistently below the required standards, it can lead to bedbug reinfestation. Monitoring becomes challenging in cluttered or unkempt areas. Poor housekeeping may necessitate additional treatments and inspections, and any extra visits required due to inadequate housekeeping will incur additional charges.

- 1. Remove all items from beds, couches, chairs, etc. Clear the floor underneath and around furniture so that the pesticide can be safely applied to all affected areas.
- 2. Keeping a clean and clutter-free environment is one of the most effective ways to monitor bed bug infestations. Regularly vacuuming cracks and crevices in your home, especially in areas prone to infestations such as bedrooms, living rooms, baseboards and furniture, can help remove any potential hiding spots for bed bugs. Frequent laundering of bed linens. This will greatly reduce the number of treatments needed
- 3. Items that cannot be laundered (e.g. books, picture frames, toys, etc.): Remove from headboards, shelves, nightstands or other furniture that is in direct contact with beds, couches, recliners, etc. Inspect carefully for evidence of bed bugs. Place any suspicious items in plastic bags or tubs so our technician can determine whether they need treatment -it is necessary to remove all items from dresser drawers and closets.
- 4. Luggage which has been used during the past six months should be made accessible so that it can be inspected and treated if necessary.
- 5. Vacuum all carpets, baseboards and furntiure. Remove vacuum bag/canister into bag and throw out into outdoor trash can. Clean and inspect vacuum for bedbugs.
- 6. Be prepared to spend \_\_\_\_\_ hours away from your residence.
- 7. Take pets with you or keep them outside.
- 8. Occupants, including pets, should not re-enter the treatment area until the products have dried.
- 9. When it is time for the treatment, cover fish and reptile tanks and turn off aerators.

## **Important Notes Between Treatments**

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- Please do not use aerosols, dusts, alcohol, etc. The use of these products can spread bedbugs, diminish the effectiveness of professional treatment and prolong an infestation.

Technician Notes				

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