

LAKES REGION BED BUG SERVICES

How to prepare for heat treatment of bedbugs:

- DON'T move any personal belongings to your car, a friend or family member's house, the garage, a basement, storage lockers or other places. Until our professionals can inspect the situation, assume everything can be infested with bed bugs to prevent re-infestation.
- DO keep linens on beds and furniture. Moving them can pave the way for bed bugs to spread to other areas.
- DON'T move electronics. Our heat treatment will not damage electronics like laptops or televisions. Electronics are especially susceptible to infestation, so it is important these items stay in place. Our professionals will move them out of the direct heat treatment path. If there are any doubts about your electronics, we recommend checking manuals or contacting the manufacturer.
- DO turn off air conditioners, fans, and close windows. Before our professionals arrive at your house for your bed bug heat treatment, double-check that these items are turned off and closed.
- PLEASE go to our website and watch the complete video for preparation. www.lakesregionbedbugs.com

Post treatment:

- After treatment you will notice clothing, beds, blankets, sofa cushions, etc. are not the way you left them. We must move these items to get even heat distribution.
- The temperatures may be elevated upon your return and a cool-down period will be needed. Opening windows or running the air conditioning unit will aid in the cooling down process.
- In some situations, removal of baseboards, door & window trim, and/or fabric from the bottom of box springs & couches is needed for better heat penetration to access all bed bug harborage areas.
- You may see dead bed bugs. Please do a thorough vacuum of the entire premises.
- The only items that we did not heat were the items you took with you. Items such as clothes, coats, backpacks, etc. must be placed in the dryer on high heat for a minimum of 20 minutes.
- Wash and dry all bed sheets, blankets, liners, and pillow covers on high heat that were on the bed when treated.
- Any vehicle you have been inside is at risk of having bed bugs. Since we cannot treat the inside of vehicles, please do a thorough vacuuming of the inside seats and trunk.
- The purchase of mattress and box spring encasements is strongly recommended and, in some cases, can be an alternative to throwing away your mattress and box spring.
- Weekly, visual inspections of all items that were previously infested is strongly recommended. Please capture, document, and report any live bed bug sightings.
- Consider your daily habits and places you visit. As we may not ever know how bed bugs were originally introduced into your home, they could come from a place you frequently visit. This includes workplaces, babysitters, friends, or family homes. If the infestation of bed bugs originally came from one of these locations, your residence can easily be re-infested following the heat treatment.