



Bed Bug Owner Prep Sheet

The success of your bed bug treatment will be dependent on the following instructions. Proper preparation before treatment, and your follow-up post treatment, are essential in resolving the issue. Failure to follow the directions can void your warranty.

**Warranty is 30 days from the initial treatment since bed bugs can be brought back into the structure.*

Pre-Treatment Checklist

Remove Bedding

- Launder all bedding on treatment day using high heat, or place bags in the sun outside for 2 days.
- Double bag blankets, sheets, pillows, pillowcases, duvets, comforter, etc. in a large plastic bag. Suitcases, backpacks, or anything traveled with should also be double bagged.

Remove Curtains From Windows

- Launder curtains on treatment day using high heat, or double bag curtains and leave them in the sun outside for 2 days.

Launder and Double Bag Clothing

- Remove and double bag all clothing items in affected areas, including closets and dressers.
- Launder the clothes on treatment day using high heat, or place bags in the sun outside for 2 days.

Remove Items from Under Bed

- Double bag them or place them in plastic containers in the sun outside for 2 days.
- Disassemble the bed and place the mattress and box spring against the wall.
- Remove floor vents and outlet covers.

Remove Personal Items

- Furniture in affected rooms should be free of personal items, including dressers, nightstand, etc.
- Double bag and place them outside in the sun for 2 days.

Move Large Furniture



- Place large furniture two feet away from the baseboards in affected rooms

Vacuum Thoroughly

- Beds, bed frames, baseboards, and upholstered furniture in affected rooms should be thoroughly vacuumed.
- Dispose of vacuum bags immediately after each use. Clean the vacuum with hot soapy water.

Remove Hanging Items

- Any hanging items should be removed from walls in affected rooms, including photos, mirrors, decorations, etc.

Additional Do's and Don'ts

- **DON'T move any items** to another room before placing in plastic bags or plastic sealed bins to prevent spreading the infestation
- **DO** place items in plastic bags or plastic containers after thoroughly laundering them.
- **DO remove all pets. Cover fish tanks** and shut off air supply
- **DO remain out of the premises for 6 hours** following the treatment.
 - ◆ **Infants, pregnant women** and those with **medical conditions** or **chemical sensitivities** should be out of the premises for **24 hours**
- **DO keep all food & dishes** in the refrigerator or cupboards
- **DO ventilate** the premises by **opening doors** and **windows**
- **DON'T clean carpets** for **3 months** following treatment
- **DON'T wash floors** or baseboards for **6 weeks**
- **DO consider using a blanket** or sheet for your **infant to crawl** on for **1 month** following treatment
- **DO expect to see bed bugs** for up to a couple of weeks following treatment
- **DON'T use cardboard boxes** for storing personal items. Plastic bags, or plastic containers only.
- **DO anticipate removal of the bedskirt** on your **boxspring** and/or the fabric at the base of the couch to be pulled back or removed
- **DO adhere to any verbal instructions** provided by your technician, as well as any specific directions on the service record
- **DO consider leaving professionally laundered items** at the cleaners between the first appointment and the follow-up appointment