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## **Bedbug Treatment Preparation List**

Prior to extermination, remove all bedding from mattresses. Gather all machine washable linens, curtains, clothing, stored fabric, etc. from living space and closets. This includes clothing in dressers. Wash bedding and any clothing/fabrics that may have come in contact with bedbugs in HOT water, and dry in the dryer on high heat if possible. Wash all other linens and fabrics as directed.
After washing, place items in storage bins or bags, or garbage bags. Seal as much as possible to prevent bugs from entering and hiding in the clean fabrics.
Empty closets in rooms where bugs have been found. We will need access into these spaces.
Unplug electronic devices and roll up cords in rooms being exterminated. This will make the area more accessible to the technicians.
Vacuum floors, carpets, nooks and crannies.
Move objects away from perimeter of rooms. For example, if your sofa or bed is positioned against a wall, pull it away from the wall. Vacuum along the perimeter of the room.
Empty bookshelves, coffee tables, television stands, dressers, dresser drawers, desks, desk drawers and night stand drawers. Bedbugs will seek refuge between the boards of furniture. This also includes coffee tables, television stands.
Remove all light switch and receptacle covers in rooms that will be treated.
Payment is due prior to the scheduled treatment date. If any portion of the preparation list is not completed, the technician will bill his time to complete at \$60 an hour. There is a \$50 fee for showing up on the scheduled date and the property is not properly prepared for the treatment.
Treatment Tips
· Make sure to vacate the premises for 3 to 4 hours after the treatment is complete to allow time to dry and air out.
· Wait for all mattresses, sofas, etc. to dry before sitting or laying on them. The chemicals used to exterminate the premises will rarely irritate your skin, but some individuals are more sensitive than others.
<ul> <li>After the treatment is complete, seal your mattress, box spring, and pillows in airtight protective bed bug covers, available online, and stores that sell home goods. Use vinyl/zippered mattress covers only.</li> </ul>
· Be prepared for the follow-up treatment. We will return in 10 to 14 days for a second treatment. Bedbugs are persistent, and surviving eggs will be hatching within this time frame.
· Be sure to follow above instructions. Success depends on you and your willingness to cooperate and follow directions. You cannot be too thorough. It is time consuming to prepare as well as treat, but it is best to do it right the first time and avoid repeating the process.
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