



## **Bed Bug Service Preparation**

Proper preparation is an essential step in ensuring the most effective results from your upcoming bed bug service. Preparation involves everything from giving us good access to the property as well as following all cleaning and post-treatment recommendations. We cannot stress the importance of site preparation when it comes to eradicating bed bugs.

**\*PLEASE BE PREPARED TO VACATE YOUR PROPERTY FOR A TOTAL OF 4-5 HOURS ON THE DAY OF SERVICE\***

### **1. Before your Bed Bug Services (prior to both initial and follow up service):**

- Wash all linens, bedding material, clothes, pet bedding, stuffed toys in the hottest available wash and then hottest available dryer setting. These items should then be relocated to a non-infested area of the home
- Any items that can't be laundered must be dry-cleaned.
- Remove all items from closets or built in wardrobes and launder as above.
- Remove all miscellaneous items from dressers, night stands, chests etc and place them in sealed bags in a non-infested area of the home
- Remove all items from under the bed and vacuum that area.
- Vacuum all floors, carpets and rugs. Use the crack and crevice attachment and pay particular attention to skirting areas and areas beneath the bed and other furniture in the room. Discard the vacuum contents after use as they may contain eggs.
- Vacuum all sofas, mattresses, bed frames, futons and any other upholstered furniture.
- Any luggage that has been used recently for travel must remain empty for inspection.
- Remove all shelves, picture frames, artwork, wall clocks from the walls and place them in the middle of the room they were hanging in.
- All furniture must be pulled away from the wall/skirting board by at least 2 feet.

### **2. After your Bed Bug treatment:**

- We advise that you stay out of the treated areas for a minimum of 3 hours post-treatment. This gives sufficient time for all products to dry. Once this time period has elapsed, you may carry on as normal.
- It is recommended that you do not move your furniture and items back into place until the 2 week follow up is completed.
- If it is practical to keep the affected bedrooms vacant/unused between the services, then please do so.

**PLEASE NOTE: YOU MAY STILL EXPERIENCE BEDBUG BITES AND SEE LIVE BED BUGS IN THE 2 WEEK PERIOD BETWEEN THE INITIAL AND THE FOLLOW UP SERVICE. THIS IS NORMAL, SO PLEASE DON'T BE CONCERNED**