

Preparation for Bed Bug Extermination

1. Do not move any furniture to another room. Moving furniture around only spreads the infestation! Furniture and mattresses being discarded should be wrapped in plastic before being removed from the premises! Things being moved around inside the premises should be in plastic bags or other sealable containers.
2. Prior to extermination, remove all bedding from mattresses, gather all linens, clothing, etc. from living space. This includes any textile materials that are machine washable - pillows, mattress covers, anything - and those that must be dry cleaned. Even fabric that is in storage should be collected. Wash bedding and any clothing/fabrics that may have been in contact with bedbugs in HOT water, and dry on HOT for 30 minutes in the dryer. Wash all other linens and fabrics as directed.
3. 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.
4. Empty closets in rooms where bugs have been found, or closets in which fabrics, linens, towels, etc. have been stored. The exterminator will need access into these spaces.
5. Empty wooden bookshelves, desks, dressers, nightstands if possible. Bedbugs can and will seek refuge between the boards of wooden furniture. This may include coffee tables, television stands, and bed frames.
6. Vacuum floors, carpets, furniture, nooks and crannies.
7. Humans and pets should be out of the premises during the treatment and 2 hours after the treatment is completed. Or until you are sure the chemical has dried up!
8. Wait for all mattresses, sofas, etc. to dry before sitting or lying on them. The chemicals used to exterminate the premises will have a very small odor. The chemicals are safe to humans and pets when dry!!

Tips & Warnings

- Following extermination seal your mattress and box spring in plastic or a mattress encasement designed for bedbugs.
- Be prepared for 2 more follow-up exterminations. We will need to give you a second treatment in 7 to 10 days after the first treatment. And a third treatment 7 to 10 days after that! These follow-up exterminations are dictated by the life cycle of the bedbug.
- Bed bugs are persistent, and they don't care how much time and money you spend trying to get rid of them. We do care so we want to do it right!!
- Suffering a bedbug infestation does not mean you keep an untidy home, or that you live in unfit conditions. They are extremely common and don't discriminate! The presence of bedbugs does not speak to your personal hygiene habits or the size of your bank account.
- Preparing for a bedbug extermination is time consuming and a lot of work! We understand that! But following directions and being thorough in your preparation is the only way to be successful!!