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Bed Bug Weekly Preparation and Prevention Information

We specialize in getting rid of bedbugs and our technicians are very thorough. Getting rid of bedbugs is not easy but it can be done. We have extensive training and experience in bedbug control. It takes a lot of time, and effort to get rid of infestations. Getting the correct preparatory work done prior to each treatment is vital to our success.

Spray and dust treatments for bed bug control should be done on a weekly basis until the infestation is under control. After this treatments can be spread out to every two weeks or once a month. Taking preventative measures to make sure that bed bugs are not reintroduced into the home is very important.

Here is what YOU can do to help us, so we can provide the best possible treatment needed: (treatments are to be done weekly to get RID of the bed bugs).

- 1. Remove sheets, covers, pillows etc., remove all bedding from All beds. Leave sheets off until after our treatment. Have sheets & bedding off for each service.**
- 2. Wash & removal & dry all washable bedding items, including pillows. Place in a washer and dryer, on the hottest possible setting, 140 degrees F. to help destroy eggs and adult bedbugs. Keep bedding items off the bed when we come. Place items in a large zip lock bag. These can be purchased at Wal-Mart.**
- 3. Wash & dry all clothing including curtains. Place in a washer and dryer, on the hottest possible setting, 140 degrees F. to help destroy eggs and adult bedbugs. Place items in a zip lock bag.**
- 4. Do not put curtains back up on the wall.**
- 5. Place ALL pillows in the dryer, even throw pillows. Place in dryer for 20-30 minutes on the hot cycle.**
- 6. We also require that all clothing and shoes from inside dressers and from inside closet floors be washed & placed in plastic bags. This will give us access to the cracks where bed bugs hide.**
- 7. Check the soles of all your shoes. Bedbugs can hide inside and outside of your shoes.**
- 8. If any of these items are heavily infested, they should be wrapped in plastic and discarded.**

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9. **Remove small items off floor & away from the wall. We will need access to all edges of the rooms to be treated.**
10. **Breakable items should be placed in a safe area. We may have to move furniture to get to the areas needed. We are not responsible for items or furniture if damaged. We will however use care in moving and treating all items.**
11. **Dispose of any heavily bed bug infested items when possible before our arrival. If you can not dispose of large furniture, we can provide this service for a fee.**
12. **Spray the mattress with a safe product such as steri-fab or BedLam. We sell these products if you want to purchase this from us.**
13. **Cover mattresses and box springs with zippered “bite proof” or “Bed Bug Proof” encasements after we service your residence. We sell these mattress covers if you want to purchase them from us.**

Tips: DO NOT buy used furniture, clothing, stuff animals or luggage, etc. from thrift stores or used furniture stores. Bed bugs can be in these items without you knowing it. Wash all bedding or clothing in hot water BEFORE bringing these items home if they are used.

When visiting other people in their homes, do not sit your purse on the floor. Also, try to sit in the kitchen on the kitchen chairs. Bedbugs are hitchhikers and you can carry them home. If you have been on vacation or traveling, check your suitcases for bedbugs. The eggs are small and white. They are hard to see. They can be the size of a grain of salt. You can bring bed bugs home without knowing it. **Don't Throw Away Expensive Items-** We can “fumigate” these items in our chamber. This is also good for Electrical items, TV's, Wheelchairs, Scooters, and Recliners. You name it, we can fumigate it. We can fumigate anything! If you have college kids living in dorms, we can fumigate their items BEFORE they bring them into your home. We can “fumigate” the items while they are in their vehicle! **“Fumigation” offers a one time treatment and kills ALL stages of bed bugs.** We are the first in this area to offer this service! Call us for more information about our **chamber fumigation.**

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Pictured: Bed Bugs On A Mattress

Bed bugs are nocturnal, hiding in cracks, crevices, mattress tufts, seams, or in hollow furniture legs. It may take 3 -10 minutes for one bug to feed until full. Bugs will sometimes (less than 25% of the time) "excrete" remains of their last partially digested blood meal while feeding the next time. This is the cause of the typical "rusty" spots seen on bed clothing in many infested homes. They will feed repeatedly, but **MUST** have at least one blood meal in each instar to develop to the next instar. Despite the myth that bed bugs become inactive (go into "hybernation") at temperatures below 61oF (= 16oC), a colony started from specimens wild-caught in New Jersey in 1973 has remained very active, feeding aggressively, at temperatures as low as 45oF (7.2oC). Similar low-temperature bed bug activity was observed by Wigglesworth (1984). These bugs will readily travel 10 - 15 ft., and have been observed to travel more than 100 ft., from their established harborage (and back) to feed on a host. Although they seem to "prefer" humans, bed bugs very readily feed on birds, rodents, or other mammals.

Moving will not get rid of bed bugs. You will take the bed bugs with you.

We have an easy solution. If you are moving, our company is the **ONLY** Company in Cincinnati to offer you a procedure that is 100% effective in getting rid of your bed bugs so you won't take them to another apartment, house, or facility.

Once your items are boxed up and you are prepared to move, we will put your items into our fumigation chamber. We can also turn a U-Haul into a fumigation chamber. We also can do structure fumigation. We can fumigate your house, business or apartment! We can fumigate all the items with our specialized fumigation gas. This procedure will completely get rid of all stages of bed bugs including the eggs with **ONE** treatment. Don't throw items away. We can save it today!

Call us today at (513) 761-9922 to inquire about fumigation and conventional bed bug treatments. We also provide other services for all insects, pest, animal removal/repair and mold remediation/testing. We are your one stop shop. Many of our products are "green" products and are technicians are fully licensed, and knowledgeable to provide you with the best care possible.

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