

CHECK LIST FOR PRE-TREATMENT OF BED BUGS

- _____ 1. **Work with a PPE representative to figure out how the bed bugs were intruded into the dwelling.**
- _____ 2. **Launder ALL clothing & linens on HOT cycle.** This also includes pet bedding. You must wash and dry all clothing and linens on the HOTTEST cycle for the most successful results. Most dry clean only clothing can be dried on the hot cycle without harming the garment.
- _____ 3. **After laundering is complete,** place all clean laundry in sealed plastic bags/containers. Store in them in a garage or other cool area away from the affected area.
 - **DO NOT TAKE LAUNDRY TO LAUNDRY MAT!! **THIS WILL ONLY SPREAD THE BED BUGS TO ANY CUSTOMERS USING THE LAUNDRY MAT FACILITY.****
- _____ 4. **Vacuum the entire house.** Vacuum extremely thoroughly, including inside each closet, under furniture, furniture cushions, mattresses, etc. After vacuuming, throw away the bag or empty the vacuum canister then wash with hot soapy water.
 - ****MAKE SURE TO VACUUM BASEBOARDS & ALONG THEM VERY THOROUGHLY.****
- _____ 5. **Dispose of any boxed items.** Reduce as much clutter or harborage areas as possible.
- _____ 6. **Children's toys will need to be washed.** Children's plastic toys need to be run through the dishwasher on hot.
 - **ANY STUFFED ANIMAL TYPE TOYS THAT CANNOT BE WASHED IN MACHINE WITH HOT WATER SHOULD BE PLACED IN A SEALED BAG AND STORED IN A GARAGE OR COOL AREA FOR AT LEAST 1 YEAR, OR DISPOSED OF.**
- _____ 7. You will need to provide PPE with your mattress and box spring sizes. If you are unsure of your mattress size or box spring size please provide PPE with the dimensions. We will be encasing them for you. There will be an extra charge for the covers, but we will only use the ones we provide.
(There are many brands available, but most do not meet industry standards.)
- _____ 8. **Remove any pets.** All pets, including fish, lizards, dogs, cats, birds, etc., MUST be removed from dwelling, PRIOR to technician's arrival
- _____ 9. **Clothing must remain in plastic bags until treatment program is complete.** Keep most commonly worn clothes in separate bags such as daily use, uniforms, work clothes, etc.
- _____ 10. **Please empty and leave dresser drawers, closets, & luggage, etc. open and accessible for technicians to treat those affected items/places.**
- _____ 11. **No re-entry allowed for at least 4 hours after service is complete.**

*****ALL STEPS MUST BE COMPLETED FOR SUCCESSFUL RESULTS.*****

If all steps are completed as directed, subsequent treatments should not be as labor intensive to the customer/tenant for pre-treatment. Additional tips and suggestions may be offered by technician at time of service. Pre-treatment check list should be completed 24 hours prior to technician's arrival.