

BED BUG PREP SHEET

These instructions should be followed for an effective service:

Checklist:

1. Remove all sheets, blankets, and dust covers from all beds, mattresses, and futons. Place into heavy plastic, airtight, bins or bags. Seal tightly and have items laundered in hot water and hot dry. Please avoid corrugated, cardboard boxes as they are excellent hiding areas for bed bugs. If you would like the mattresses and box springs treated, please remove the plastic covers. If technician removes the plastic cover and it is damaged, Dominion Pest Control is not responsible. IF YOU HAVE A BED THAT IS ATTACHED OR BOLTED INTO A PLATFORM, PLEASE PREP THE BED BY DETACHING THE MATTRESS FROM THE PLATFORM BEFORE THE TECHNICIAN ARRIVES. THIS WILL LEAD TO A BETTER SERVICE AND OUTCOME!
2. Do not remove any furniture, including bedside stands, dressers, chairs, sofas, pictures, or any part of the bed frame, mattress, or box spring unless they are first wrapped tightly in plastic sheeting. If any furniture is to be replaced do not bring in new furniture until all services have been completed.
3. Cover all fish tanks, animal cages, and remove birds and bird cages from areas to receive treatment.
4. Remove pet bedding from the rooms and wash them in hot water and dry; place back in room after treatment.
5. All baby crib linens should be washed. Stuffed animals should be placed in dryer on high heat for 20 minutes.
6. Remove all stored items from under the beds but leave items in the rooms for treatment. If disposing of items, they must be wrapped in plastic to be removed from the unit or home to prevent cross contamination.
7. Empty all items and clothing from dressers and nightstands that are within 10 feet of the bed. Nightstands are a major harborage for Bed Bugs.
8. Open any sofa beds and remove loose covers that may be on upholstered furniture. Launder these covers in hot water and hot dry.
9. Before treatment all occupants must leave the unit/home and not enter until: 1 st Service- for a minimum of 6 hours 2 nd Service- for a minimum of 4 hours 3 rd Service- for a minimum of 2 hours
10. Aquariums may remain in place as long as the filtration and aeration systems are turned off and the tank covered with wet towel. Filtration and aeration equipment can be turned back on in 6 hours after the bed bug treatment.

****IMPORTANT:**

- The cheesecloth covering will be removed from under the box spring for thorough treatment. Coverings on the underside of sofas may also be removed for treatment, as necessary.
- *****Disclaimer:** Any chemical application (including fogging) by any persons other than Dominion Pest Control technicians during the treatment process may void warranty.
- **Proper Disposal of Furniture:** We do not recommend discarding furniture that has bed bugs. Treated furniture is better than new furniture untreated! Only discard furniture if it is old and needs to be discarded. If new furniture is purchase, have us treat the new furniture so it has the residual product that kills bed bugs. Bed bug infested furniture that cannot be salvaged needs to be disposed of in a manner that will prevent further spreading of bed bugs. In the process of removing furniture, bed bugs can escape into hallways and make their way into others rooms and new apartments, spreading the problem to new areas. When furniture is removed take apart or damage the piece of furniture to ensure that it can not be reused. The mattresses should be slashed to make it unusable and wrapped. The furniture should be wrapped in plastic so the bed bugs can not escape. Put in trash right before pick-up so the furniture or mattress does not sit outside for a long period of time.

What You Can Expect After Services: It takes all three services in order to eradicate bed bugs. If self-treatment took place an additional fourth service is added in order to eliminate the bed bugs. Live bed bugs can be sighted up until the third service and if self-treated prior to the professional service, live bugs can be seen up until the fourth service. After the professional services have been completed, Dominion offers a 30 day warranty. If any live bed bugs or bites occur within the 30 day warranty, please notify your property management company or Dominion.