

# **Bed Bug Service Prep Sheet**

Bed Bugs are tough to control. They hide in many places... In beds, closets, furniture, behind pictures, in tiny cracks in the wall... so inspections & treatments must be thorough. Pest control technicians need your cooperation in order to control bed bugs successfully.

## **STRIP YOUR BEDS**

Remove all sheets, blankets, mattress covers, pillowcases, etc. from your beds & wash. Afterwards place them in plastic garbage bags. Do not put them back on the bed until the evening after pest control service.

## **REMOVE EVERYTHING FROM BEDROOMS, CLOSETS & HALL CLOSETS**

Your closets *must* be empty. A cluttered closet makes it impossible to control bed bugs. Empty all dresser drawers, nightstands & other furniture near the beds. Remove all boxes, clothing, toys, etc. from bedroom floors. Place items in the kitchen.

## **WASH ALL CLOTHING, TOWELS & OTHER LINENS**

This means *everything* & place the clean items inside plastic storage bins or garbage bags. Store them in the kitchen until after treatment.

## **VACUUM**

Vacuum floors, inside closets, furniture, dresser drawers & bedstands. Also vacuum mattresses & box springs. Dispose of vacuum contents.

## **PROVIDE ACCESS FOR PEST CONTROL TECHNICIAN**

Make sure the technician can get into all closets. If possible, move bedroom furniture away from walls so there is a 3 foot space between furniture & walls.

## **AVOID CONTACT WITH INSECTICIDE UNTIL DRY (+2 HOURS)**

Make sure there are no animals or people in the building during treatment & for *at least 2 hours* afterwards (check with the pest control technician for an exact time).