



Dealing with Bedbugs!



A Public Health Hazard



What are Bedbugs?

Bedbugs (*Cimex lectularius*) are small wingless insects that feed solely upon its hosts' blood. They are increasingly becoming a problem within residences of all kinds, including homes, apartments, hotels, cruise ships, dormitories and shelters. Hatchling bedbugs are about the size of a poppy seed, and adults are about 1/4 of an inch in length. From above they are oval in shape, but are flattened from top to bottom. When disturbed, bedbugs actively seek shelter in dark cracks and crevices which is why it makes them hard to locate at times. Because of this your place of living can have bed bugs months before you discover them. Bedbugs can be found primarily in bedrooms, living in mattresses, but, can also be found on all furniture including couches, draperies and carpets. They can also live in closets, around baseboards and any crack and crevice surrounding a bed.

What Should You Do if You Discover Bedbugs?

Bedbug Doctor, a Division of **Bug Doctor Termite and Pest Control**, specializes in the treatment of bedbugs. Their secretive nature makes bedbugs difficult to find and eliminate. Sometimes people mistake other insect pests for bedbugs. Bedbugs do not respond to typical household bug sprays which can actually spread the insects. Panicked individuals often spread bedbugs throughout their home by dragging infected bed linens or mattresses through their home to the trash. If you think you have bedbugs, your best course of action is to immediately call an experienced **Bedbug Doctor** pest control professional for help in exterminating this awful pest.



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