



TERMITE AND PEST CONTROL

## NOTICE TO PERFORM BED BUG SERVICES

**Address:**

**Day:**

**Date:**

**Time:**

*BUG DOCTOR INC. will be performing pest control procedures for the elimination of bedbugs on the date and time specified above.*

*Bed bugs can be difficult to control; therefore it is necessary to follow the instructions below to properly prepare for the treatments.*

*Please prepare thoroughly before the technician arrives.*

### PREPARATION for BEDBUG TREATMENT

*Read the information about bed bugs provided on the back of this sheet*

1. Remove all bedding (sheets, pillow cases, comforters, etc.) from all mattresses and box springs. If bedding is dirty have it laundered in hot water 120 degrees and dried at high temperatures. If bedding is clean just place it in dryer on medium for 30 minutes. The heat from the dryer will kill all bedbugs and bed bugs eggs.
2. Remove all clothing from dressers and closets. If clean, place in dryer for 30 minutes as stated above. Remove all items beneath beds, on and around couches and upholstered furniture. ALSO, remove any breakable items on top of night stands, dressers and end tables. Move all furniture away from walls 3 feet.
3. Throw away all unnecessary clutter in sealed garbage bags. Excessive clutter and items stored on the floor in bed rooms and living rooms can become infested making control very difficult.
4. Vacuum all floors in bedrooms and living room paying close attention to areas where the wall meets the floor using the vacuums crevice attachment. Immediately empty or remove vacuum cleaner bag, seal in a plastic bag and discard in a dumpster OUTSIDE OF THE BUILDING.
5. You will need to leave your apartment during our service for a minimum of two hours. We ask that small children & pets remain outside for four hours. Medical equipment should be removed or covered with plastic bag.

### AFTER THE TREATMENT IS PERFORMED

1. Replace Laundered bedding.
2. Work to reduce the amount of clutter in your apartment, making sure infested items are sealed in plastic bags, as moving these items through common areas of your building may spread the insects
3. Over the next 30 days, the treatment will take effect. Vacuum floors, particularly along base boards around beds and couches as often as possible. Follow-up treatments are scheduled in about 30 days. This process will need to be repeated for the next phase of treatment.

**Thank You in Advance for Your Cooperation,  
It Is Very Important To The Successful Control Of This Pest!**

## **Bed Bug Information for Successful Control**

Adult bed bugs are about 1/8-inch long and reddish-brown, with flattened, oval shaped bodies that allow them to live in small cracks and crevices. Bed bugs do not fly, but can walk rapidly over floors, walls, ceilings and other surfaces. Females lay tiny white eggs that are hard to see without magnification. Newly hatched bed bugs are no bigger than a pinhead. As they grow, they molt (shed their skin) five times before reaching maturity. A blood meal is needed between each molt. Bed bugs can complete development from egg to adult in as little as one month. Adult bed bugs can survive up to a year without feeding. Although bed bugs prefer feeding on humans, they will feed on other warm blooded animals, including pets. Bed bugs can be transported in travelers luggage and clothing. Buying used mattresses, box springs, furniture and other second hand items is a common way bed bugs are brought into previously non-infested buildings.

Bed bugs are nocturnal, active mainly at night. During the daytime they prefer to hide close to where people sleep or sit still for periods of time. Bed bugs do not have nests like ants or bees, but tend to congregate in hard to find cracks & crevices in bed frames, night stands and other furniture, behind baseboards, heaters, door and window frames, pictures on walls, loose wallpaper, under wall to wall carpets, in personal belongings, electronics, electric outlets, clutter and clothing laying on floors. They can easily spread to adjacent rooms or apartments.

A sign of bed bug activity is rust or reddish spots of blood on bed sheets or mattresses. Initial infestations tend to be around beds, but often, by the time the bed bugs are discovered they may have spread through the bedroom, occupying cracks and protected location. Bed bugs commonly infest couches and furniture in living rooms where people spend quiet time reading and watching TV.

Bug Doctor, technicians know where to look for bed bugs, and have an assortment of management tools at their disposal. **Your assistance is essential.** We will need access for inspection and treatment. A thorough inspection and treatment requires our technicians to move mattress and box springs and dismantle bed frames. Night stands and dressers may also have to be moved and drawers taken out. Excessive clutter can make successful treatment impossible and must be removed. Clutter, debris and other items being discarded should be sealed in garbage bags. In most cases mattresses, box springs and upholstered furniture can be saved. Do not discard these large items until after the initial service. If disposal is necessary, these items will need to be bagged or wrapped before moving them through common areas as this can spread bed bugs through the building.

It will also be necessary to inspect other adjoining rooms and apartments.

**Thank you in advance for your cooperation.**

**I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby read and agree to the terms and conditions of the preceding Bug Doctor Inc. Bedbug preparation sheet.**

**X \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_**

**If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact us @ 800-825-1151.**