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Bed Bug Pre-Treatment Checklist

1. Wash all linens, bedding materials, clothing, stuffed animals, etc., in the highest allowable water temperature and dry on the hottest allowable heat setting.
2. All laundered items such as linens, clothing, stuffed animals, etc., should be placed in new plastic bags or containers, sealed tightly and placed in the center of the room.
3. All clothing items that cannot be laundered should be dry cleaned. I recommend leaving these items at the cleaners between the initial and follow up services.
4. Remove all items from the closet, including any items on closet shelves. Follow the procedure above for laundering all clothing. No items should remain in the closets.
5. Remove all items from dressers, night stands, chests, etc., and seal them in plastic bags or containers.
6. Vacuum floors, carpets and area rugs. Use the crack and crevice attachment around baseboards, bed frames, sofas, and other furniture items. Discard vacuum bags or contents after use.
7. All luggage that has been used recently during travel must remain empty so that it can be inspected and treated.
8. Remove all items hanging on the walls and place them on floor in the same room they were hanging in. These items will be inspected and treated if necessary.
9. All large pieces of furniture must be pulled at least 2 feet away from baseboards in every room of the home.
10. All humans and pets must remain out of the home during treatment and at least a minimum of 4 hours after the treatment is complete. Fish and reptile tanks must be covered or removed. Air filters and filtration systems for aquatic fish should be turned off during treatment.
11. All mattress and box spring covers must be removed from mattresses and box springs prior to service unless you have previously installed an encasement that is specifically designed to control, prevent and eliminate bed bugs. If you do not have bed bug mattress encasements, I strongly suggest that you purchase them for each mattress and box spring.
12. Remove and discard the box spring backing (the thin, fibrous material that is stapled to the bottom of the box spring) prior to treatment.
13. Cribs, crib mattresses and other baby furniture will be inspected and treated as needed.
14. Shoes should be placed in new plastic bags or containers, sealed tightly, and placed in the center of the room. If shoes can tolerate a dryer cycle, first place them in the dryer on the hottest cycle for 30 minutes.