



# BEDBUG HEAT PREP NOTICE

(*Cimex lectularius* Linnaeus)

Here are a few **crucial** steps to help for Bedbug elimination, your cooperation is greatly appreciated:

**NIGHT BEFORE**-Dry a FULL set of clothes on HIGH heat (including jacket, hat, shoes) everything worn the day of treatment and seal it in a NEW plastic bag. Change into these clothes RIGHT BEFORE you leave, outfit must be free of beg bugs and eggs. DO NOT take anything else with you from your home to eliminate them from reintroduction to your home.

**PREP YOUR HOME**-crucial steps for treatment, if not carried out can result in a reschedule of treatment and reschedule fee of \$300.00.

- **PICK UP** all clutter (i.e. stacks of boxes, piles of magazines/newspapers, and bags of belongings) The Technician NEEDS space to move equipment throughout your home. NOTE: unless you are permanently getting rid of items, they need to stay in the structure to be treated to prevent reintroduction.
- **KITCHEN**-load and run dishwasher, clear counter tops, and take out trash. (HEAT SENSITIVE ITEMS)
- **CLOTHES**-leave hanging, folded in drawers/cabinets/shelves. DO NOT place clothes in bags or containers as they need to be accessible for the heat treatment. If clothes are already in a bag or container, LEAVE THEM and notify the technician.
- **TAKE DOWN**-all vinyl window blinds and smoke detectors. PLEASE LET US KNOW IF THERE ARE FIRE SPRINKLERS AND/OR HEAT SENSORS.
- **BEDS**-strip the bedding off prior to treatment, leave in treated area, wash in HOT soap and water, and dry on HIGH heat immediately after treatment. **Sleep number beds** set to lowest settings and notify technician you have one.
- **PESTICIDES**-notify technician if any were previously used.
- **CLEAN**-vacuum and wipe up Diatomaceous Earth (naturally occurring, soft, rock crumbled into a fine white powder)
- **HEAT SENSITIVE ITEMS-MUST BE PLACED IN GARAGE OR TAKEN OUT OF YOUR HOME**, examples:
  - Aerosol cans, fire extinguishers, other combustible items, house cleaners
  - Fruit, vegetables, shortening, chocolates, carbonated beverages, wine, liquor, vitamins, medicine, artificial sweeteners. (items can be placed in refrigerator after careful inspection and not on table)
  - Oil paintings, acrylics (artwork) paintings and pictures, paint (spray and canned) arts and crafts items
  - Hygiene products (i.e. shampoo, deodorant, liquid soaps, facewash, cosmetics, candles, plants, etc.) (items can be placed in refrigerator after careful inspection and not on table)

**PET SAFETY**-Remove (throw away) food and water from dishes and wash bowls with hot soapy water or place in dishwasher after treatment. All pets need to be removed from home during treatment and we encourage them groomed on the day of treatment.

**FISH/GERBALS/HAMSTERS/ETC.**-Please find a place for them the stay outside of the home during treatment, it's too hot for them.

**CHILD SAFETY**-All toys need to be picked up and with infants (bottles, pacifiers, etc.) put in the dishwasher during treatment and run it. Be sure to wipe down any toys that might go in the mouth of a toddler.

**YOUR SAFETY**-Please leave your unit during treatment and plan to not return for at least two hours after treatment is completed.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**-Purchase a form fitting mattress cover for both mattress and box-spring after treatment to prevent reinfestation. Measure (H+L+W) to ensure mattress cover is as form fitted as possible.

**RETURNING HOME**-Please note that items may be disturbed during treatment to optimize elimination of Bedbugs. Items will be left disturbed to dry from treatment.

It is crucial that these instructions are carried out prior to treatment so that our service technician can start treatment immediately. If not, it is at the discretion of the Service Technician at Complete Pest Control if treatment will be made and if warranty will be available for treatment. Should the unit need to be rescheduled, there will be a rescheduling fee of \$300.00. Complete Pest Control is not responsible for results of clothing being washed with hot water and dried on HIGH heat. By signing this Prep Sheet, the customer has read and fully understands the provisions of this Prep Sheet with all its terms and conditions without limitations.

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