

Bed Bug Preparation Checklist

	Directions	1st Treatment	Follow Up
1	Wash all fabrics, bed sheets, clothing, stuffed animals, etc., in the highest washer and dryer temperature settings		
2	All washed and dried items should be placed in new plastic bags or plastic containers, sealed tightly and relocated to the living room.		
3	Send all clothing that can not be laundered to the dry cleaners.		
4	Empty out closets, including any items on closet shelves. Follow the procedure above for laundering all clothing.		
5	Clear out items from dressers, night stands, chests, etc. and place them in plastic bags or sealed containers in the center of the living room floor. None of these items should stay in the bedroom.		
6	Vacuum floors, carpets and area rugs. Use crevice attachment to vacuum baseboards, bed frames, sofas, and other furniture items. Discard vacuum bags or clean canister after use.		
7	Empty out any luggage bags for inspection.		
8	Remove all items hung up on wall and place on the floor in the rooms where they were hung so they can be inspected and treated (picture frames, artwork, wall clocks, and decorative items)		
9	All large pieces of furniture should be pulled at least 2 feet away from the baseboards and walls in every room of your home.		
10	Pets and People must stay out of home during treatment and at least 4 hours after treatment is complete. Fish tanks should be covered or taken out. Air filters for fish tanks must be turned off during treatment.		
11	All mattress and box spring covers must be removed from mattresses & box springs before exterminator arrival unless the encasement is a specialized bed bug control cover.		
12	Shoes should be placed in new plastic bags or plastic containers, sealed tightly and relocated to the living room. If shoes can tolerate a dryer cycle, first place them in the dryer on hottest cycle for 30 minutes. No shoes should be left in the bedroom or closet.		