ABELL
Pest Control

Bed Bug Treatment

CLIENT PREPARATION CHECKLIST

In order for our company to provide the most effective service possible, we ask that before our arrival you review and complete all the necessary steps listed below. Your Abell technician will verify completion upon arrival. Please complete and return this form to the Abell representative when they arrive onsite. Failure to complete the following requests may delay the treatment and potentially void any guarantee if applicable. You may see live bed bugs for up to 3 weeks after the initial service, which is normal. Your Abell technician may provide additional preparation instructions based on the infestation level.

Checklist:

Bed(s) / Bedroom(s) Preparation

Place the following items directly into sealed bags for laundering:

- ☐ Remove all bedding from the bed(s), including sheets, pillowcases, pillows, blankets and comforters.
- ☐ If there are built-in storage drawers (such as cabin beds), remove all clothing and fabric items from the drawers.
- ☐ Remove loose clothing, garments from around the room.
- ☐ Take sealed bags to laundry area and carefully place the contents directly into the washer or dryer. After emptying, securely tie the bags closed and dispose of them.
- ☐ Launder all clothing, linens, and fabrics:
  - ▸ Hot wash **>60°C / 140°F** and/or
  - ▸ Dryer on high heat for a **minimum of 30 minutes**
  - ▸ **Important! Do not overload** dryer or washer as this may allow bed bugs to survive. Fill appliances to no more than 50% capacity of appliance.
  - ▸ Clothing and fabrics cannot be treated with pesticides.
- ☐ Keep all cleaned items sealed and out of treatment areas.
- ☐ Items under beds may remain if not in contact with the bed. DO NOT relocate any items from under the bed to other rooms.
- ☐ It is not necessary to remove clean items from closets/dressers unless visibly infested.

Furniture & Room Preparation

- ☐ Move all furniture **12 inches away from walls.**
- ☐ Ensure full access to **baseboards and room perimeter.**
- ☐ Do NOT move items between rooms.

Personal Items & Electronics

- ☐ Leave all electronics in place for inspection.
- ☐ Ensure access around:
  - ▸ Nightstands
  - ▸ Desks
  - ▸ Furniture
- ☐ Leave **mobility devices (walkers, canes, wheelchairs) onsite** for inspection (where possible). Mobility devices can be optimal hiding places for bed bugs and should be inspected. Failure to have these inspected on the initial service, may void any warranty.

Occupants & Pets

- ☐ All persons and pets must **vacate the premises during treatment.**
- ☐ Do not re-enter for **minimum 4 hours** (or as directed by

technician).

- ☐ Persons with underlying health conditions should consult their family physician if they have concerns regarding re-entry time.
- ☐ Upon re-entry, open windows for **20-30 minutes**
- ☐ Fish tanks:
  - ▸ Must be **covered**
  - ▸ Air pumps/filters **turned off**

Post-Treatment Actions to be Performed by the Resident

Your follow-up service should have been scheduled by the office for 3-4 weeks after the first treatment. To reduce the amount of preparation for the treatment, we suggest that you do not completely reassemble your home until the follow-up service has been performed. These accompanying measures should be taken during the period of the first treatment and the follow-up treatment.

- ☐ Do NOT remove or tamper with mattress or box spring encasements (if installed).
- ☐ Avoid purchasing any new or used furniture.
- ☐ Avoid moving new occupants into the unit.
- ☐ Do not apply any pesticides or cleaning agents to treated areas such as box spring, bedframe, under couches and other furniture.
- ☐ Do not mop or steam treated areas as this will neutralize the treatment and void service warranties.

Important Notes

- ☐ You may continue to use the rooms as normal unless otherwise advised by your technician.
- ☐ It is normal to see **live bed bugs for up to 3 weeks after treatment.**
- ☐ Additional preparation may be required depending on infestation level.

Future Bed Bugs Prevention Tips

- ☐ Inspect hotel rooms when travelling.
- ☐ Launder clothing immediately after travel.
- ☐ Avoid purchasing used furniture unless verified pest-free.
- ☐ Periodically inspect beds and surrounding furniture.