



# EAST WEST PEST CONTROL

## Preparation for Bedbug Treatments

In order to successfully receive a treatment for bedbugs, the premises will need some preparation before our technician arrives. Please remember that tenants/residents absolutely **may not** be in the premises during pest control treatment. You will need to leave the premises for 3 hours upon the arrival of our technician. Pets must also leave the premises for the same amount of time- with the exception of the fish if you have an aquarium (please see instructions below).

## PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS

- Mattresses and box springs must be stripped down and free of all bedding, linen etc., and leaned up against the wall. Move items stored under beds.
- All bedding items – pillows included-should be placed in garbage bags, sealed and emptied directly into the washing machine. When the laundering cycles are complete, the clean laundry should be placed in new clear garbage bags and sealed during the treatment process. The garbage bags used for transporting clothing articles to the laundry room should be thrown away outside the premise as they may contain bed bugs. It is important to **wash your items** using **hot water** as cold water will not kill bed bugs or their eggs. All clean clothes should be put in the dryer on high for a minimum of 60 minutes.
- Vacuum the mattress thoroughly including the crevices, handles and buttons.
- Vacuum bed frame, baseboards and objects/flooring close to bed.
- Discard the vacuum bag (placed in tightly sealed garbage bag before disposal).
- Open sofa-beds
- We need easy access to perform treatment. Baseboards must be cleared of furniture.
- Allow for adequate room around the mattresses, sofas, chairs etc. we need at least 1-1/2 feet to apply the spray.
- Cover your fish tanks or aquariums and turn off the air supply.
- Empty bookshelves.
- Kitchen areas must not have any open food or dishes- you may store them in the cupboard or the fridge.
- Remove all items from your closets and dressers and end tables.
- Pull out the dresser drawers.
- All clothing items should be placed in garbage bags, sealed and emptied directly into the washing machine. When the laundering cycles are complete, the clean laundry should be placed in new clear garbage bags and sealed during the treatment process. The garbage bags used for transporting clothing articles to the laundry room should be thrown away outside the premise as they may contain bed bugs. It is important to **wash your items** using **hot water** as cold water will not kill bed bugs or their eggs. All clean clothes should be put in the dryer on high for a minimum of 20 minutes. Some clothing may require dry cleaning.
- Vacuum all carpets thoroughly, be sure to dispose of the contents immediately.
- All toys should be washed in soapy hot water and stuffed toys should be placed in dryer on high heat for 20 minutes.
- A repeat of this entire procedure will take place in about 2 weeks' time.
- We understand that it is a lot of work, but is the only way we can eliminate these nasty bloodsuckers!

**Please do not wash away pesticides after treatment.**

*Thank you for your cooperation!*