



Bed Bug Home Preparation Service

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Part 1: How To Prepare For Chemical and Heat Bed Bug Treatments

Part 2: Funding Available

- ▶ **Month 1** - 1 pregnant female, 60 nymphs in various stages of development and 20-30 eggs
- ▶ **Month 2** - less than 10 adult bed bugs, but as many as 150 nymphs and a few eggs.
- ▶ **Month 4** - By day 120 the bed bug population is into exponential growth phase with up to 200 adults, 5,000 nymphs and 2,000 eggs.
- ▶ **Month 6** - There could be 8,000 adults, over 100,000 nymphs and 70,000 eggs.
 - ▶ Dependent on temperature, available food source, etc.
 - ▶ Don't wait.. Act fast!

We prep for many pest control companies and will prep according to their prep sheet and instructions

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• TNT Exterminating• A-Best Pest Control• State Termite and Pest Control• Orkin• Ehrlich | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• General Pest Control• Abell Pest Control• Terminex• Rose Pest Control• T&L | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Central Exterminating• Certified Pest Control• Varmint Guard• Promise Pest Control• And many more!!! |
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How to Prepare for Chemical Treatment

- ▶ DECLUTTER the home!!!
 - ▶ Clutter = Hiding Spots
 - ▶ Anything you haven't worn, read, used in the past few years we encourage you throw away
 - ▶ A clutter free environment is vital for a successful chemical treatment

How to Prepare for Chemical Treatment

- ▶ Fabric Items

- ▶ Launder ALL fabric items for 30 minutes in a dryer
 - ▶ Linens, Clothing, Window Treatments, Stuffed Animals, Throw Pillows, Etc.
- ▶ Bag and Seal laundered items

- ▶ Empty Drawers

- ▶ DECLUTTER!
 - ▶ We will work with client to decide what can be discarded
 - ▶ Many of our clients see this as a time to organize their closets, drawers, offices
 - ▶ DO NOT give away/donate items unless they have been inspected and treated

How to Prepare for Chemical Treatment

- ▶ Empty Drawers Cont'd
 - ▶ Items that can be cleaned will be cleaned (portable heat unit or vacuumed), bagged and sealed
 - ▶ Items that can't be cleaned will be bagged or put in a tote & left for inspection by PC tech
- ▶ Remove all wall hangings
 - ▶ Wall hangings provide hiding places
 - ▶ Heat treat items, bag and seal (if needed)
- ▶ Books, CDs, DVDs, etc. will be vacuumed or heat treated, bagged and sealed

How to Prepare for Chemical Treatment

- ▶ Clear closet floors of items
- ▶ Remove all outlet covers and switch plates
- ▶ Vacuum entire house (baseboards, furniture, inside drawers, bed, etc.)
- ▶ Move furniture away from walls
- ▶ We will put on mattress, box spring and pillow encasements
- ▶ Dismantle bed frames and any other furniture, if needed

How to Prepare for Chemical Treatment

- ▶ If there is an excess of papers, books, items that cannot be cleaned, etc. these items can be bagged, sealed, and kept in storage for over a year
 - ▶ Bed bugs can live up to a year without a blood meal
 - ▶ If items are kept bagged and sealed for over a year the bed bugs inside the bag will starve to death

How to Prepare for Chemical Treatment

- ▶ DO NOT unpack items that have been cleaned, bagged and sealed until AFTER the last chemical treatment or until the pest control company tells you its ok to unpack items
- ▶ We provide a POST PREPARATION SERVICE
 - ▶ We put everything back in its original place (unpack and hang/fold clothing, hang up pictures, etc.)

How to Prepare for Heat Treatment

- ▶ DECLUTTER!! Heat must be able to penetrate all items
- ▶ Remove all items that may:
 - ▶ Melt (candles, makeup, chocolate, oil paintings)
 - ▶ Explode (aerosol or pressurized cans)
 - ▶ Damage (medication, diabetic test strips)
 - ▶ Flammable
 - ▶ Heirlooms or irreplaceable
 - ▶ Store items in the fridge to be kept cool or leave these items in a laundry basket to be inspected by PC Tech before removing from home

How to Prepare for Heat Treatment

- ▶ Fabric Items:



- ▶ Loosely pack fabrics in drawers so heat can penetrate all items
- ▶ Loosely hang fabrics in closets letting heat circulate around each item
- ▶ Open weave laundry baskets can also hold fabrics
- ▶ If fabrics can not be spaced out excess fabric items must be laundered, bagged and sealed

- ▶ Wall Hangings:

- ▶ Must be removed or they may be blown off walls
- ▶ Store in tub or on kitchen table

How to Prepare for Heat Treatment

- ▶ Move glass items to floor or in cabinet if there is a chance they will blow over or be knocked over by PC Techs and heaters
- ▶ Vacuum entire home
- ▶ UNPLUG ELECTRONICS
- ▶ Removal outlet covers and switch plates
- ▶ Items that cannot be heated can be bagged, sealed, and kept in storage for over a year or stored in tub if PC has protective cover

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- ▶ Once we have finished prepping the home for chemical or heat treatment the pest control company can begin treatment **that day or the very next day!**





Other Services We Provide

- ▶ Post Treatment Restoration
- ▶ Carpet Removal
- ▶ Furniture Removal
- ▶ Hoarding Clean Out
- ▶ Eviction Clean-Up
- ▶ Flea and Roach Prep
- ▶ Cleaning Services









Funding Available for Prepping

▶ PASSPORT

- ▶ Medicaid Waiver Program run through the Area Agency on Aging
- ▶ Age 60 or older
- ▶ Income may not exceed a set amount per year
- ▶ In need of help with daily living activities
- ▶ Able to remain living safely at home

Funding Available for Prepping

- ▶ As of today we are PASSPORT Certified in Summit, Portage, Cuyahoga, Youngstown, Wayne, Franklin & 16 other counties
- ▶ PASSPORT Case Managers are the ones to approve the service
- ▶ There is NO COST to the tenant for the prep

Funding Available for Prepping

- ▶ MyCare Ohio Waiver Service
 - ▶ United Health Care, CareSource, Buckeye, Molina & Aetna
 - ▶ Contracted in Summit, Portage, Cuyahoga, Youngstown, Wayne, Franklin & 16 other counties
 - ▶ Case Manager is the one to approve the prep
 - ▶ There is NO COST to the tenant

How to set up prep through PASSPORT & MyCare Ohio

- ▶ Contact our office at 330-931-8371
- ▶ We need the following information:
 - ▶ The name, phone number and address of the client
 - ▶ Description of the home
 - ▶ Name and phone number of the Case Manager

PASSPORT & MyCare Ohio

- ▶ PASSPORT and MyCare Ohio will also pay for the chemical and heat treatments in stand alone houses and trailers
 - ▶ Chemical and heat treatments are NOT covered in apartments and other multi-family homes
- ▶ **TNT Exterminating** is a PASSPORT and MyCare Ohio approved pest control company
 - ▶ Provide heat, chemical and a combination of heat and chemical treatments
 - ▶ 440-247-4088

City of Cleveland Bed Bug Assistance Program

- ▶ Information and application available on the City of Cleveland website:
 - ▶ www.clevelandohio.gov
 - ▶ City Departments tab on left side of screen
 - ▶ Click on “Aging”
 - ▶ Scroll down to the Bed Bug Assistance Program Link
 - ▶ Download the application

City of Cleveland Bed Bug Assistance Program

- ▶ Eligibility Criteria:
 - ▶ Low income guideline: (subject to change from year to year)
 - ▶ \$16,700 for 1 person living in the home
 - ▶ \$19,050 for 2 people living in the home
 - ▶ Must provide proof of income
 - ▶ 60 years or older or 18-59 years old if the individual has a disability

City of Cleveland Bed Bug Assistance Program

- ▶ Must live in the City of Cleveland
 - ▶ Must provide a utility bill to show residency
- ▶ Must own and live in the unit
- ▶ Only single family and 2 family homes are eligible
 - ▶ NOT apartments in an apartment building
- ▶ The funding only covers the treatment NOT prep
- ▶ There is a waiting list

Cuyahoga County Bed Bug Assistance Program

- ▶ Information and application available on Cuyahoga County Senior and Adult Services Website:

<http://dsas.cuyahogacounty.us/>

- ▶ Scroll halfway down home page
- ▶ Click on application link

Cuyahoga County Bed Bug Assistance Program

- ▶ Eligibility Criteria:
 - ▶ Low income guideline: (subject to change from year to year)
 - ▶ \$35,010 for 1 person living in the home
 - ▶ Must provide proof of income
 - ▶ 60 years or older or 18-59 years old if the individual has a disability
 - ▶ Must live in Cuyahoga County and in unit to be treated
 - ▶ Only covers treatment NOT prep



Questions?