

## Bed Bug Preparation Checklist

Please Read and Initial:

\_\_\_ Strip the bed(s) and launder all sheets, pillowcases, mattress pads & blankets.

\_\_\_ Remove everything from bedroom closet(s) and place in plastic bags.

\_\_\_ Remove everything from dresser drawers, nightstands and dressing tables and place in plastic bags.

\_\_\_ Have all clothing and fabrics laundered or dry-cleaned.

\_\_\_ Remove drapes and have them laundered, dry-cleaned or replaced.

\_\_\_ Discard cardboard boxes, shoeboxes, paper and plastic bags, old newspapers, stacks of magazines, and similar items in infested rooms.

\_\_\_ Vacuum all infested rooms. Besides the floor, also vacuum mattresses, bed skirts, couches, chairs, closets and closet shelves, shoes, inside dresser drawers, and beside table drawers.

Vacuum bags are to be placed in a plastic bag and discarded.

### Important Notes:

-Discarding of any compromised (ripped/torn) materials or heavily infested items may be required.

-Dismantling of bed frames and other items will be performed as part of the service program.

-Should the box spring remain, removal of the cheesecloth underside is required for proper inspection and/or application.

-Zippered, bed bug approved mattress bags are recommended. Mattresses can be used (back on bed frame) but must remain in these bags. Linens are to go over bags.

-If laundering, a hot water & detergent cycle + dryer must be used.

-A *clutter free environment* **MUST** be provided in order to allow access for the service technician to treat all required areas.

-Before removing all bagged items the client should inspect for pest activity.

-The client should not touch or move any monitoring device.

-“Booster” insecticide treatment **MUST NOT** be performed by the client.