

## THERMAL (HEAT) REMEDIATION TREATMENT PREPARATIONS

Wil-Kil Pest Control has been contacted to treat your residence for bed bugs using heating equipment. Our service technicians need your full cooperation to control these pests. For a successful bed bug treatment, please follow these preparation guidelines. Failure to comply with this checklist will result in cancellation of the scheduled service.

- **DO NOT** remove any items (mattresses/furniture) from the home. It is important that you leave all items in place to reduce the risk of spreading the infestation to other rooms, hallways, or adjoining residences.
- DO NOT use or apply any type of over-the-counter products or pesticides anywhere inside the residence.
- DO NOT place clothing into trash bags. All clothing in drawers and closets may be left in place.
- **DO**, prepare a washed and dried change of clothing to wear the day of the treatment. Leave your home with as little as possible, leaving purses, handbags, backpacks, and briefcases inside the residence for the treatment.
- **DO**, be ready to leave your residence at the posted time. All residents and animals will need to be gone for the duration of the treatment. Please wait for the technician to arrive before leaving for the day. Feel free to ask the technician any questions about the preparation or treatment at this time.
- **DO**, if you live in a multi-family building, please avoid visiting any other residences or common areas in the building until after the treatment is completed.
- **DO**, clean up the entire residence. We will not proceed with the treatment with any of the following present in the residence: trash, left out or spoiled food, pet waste, or any other unsanitary items.
- DO, vacuum your entire home and vehicle. Discard the vacuum bag or empty the vacuum canister into the trash.
- **DO**, secure all loose papers and all valuable/breakable items from shelves, nightstands, or end tables that could be knocked down by air movement.
- **DO**, locate fish tanks. Any fish tank larger than 10 gallons must be removed. If under 10 gallons, it can stay in the residence, but must be moved into a bathroom, basement or other approved area.
- **DO**, locate the following items. These cannot be in the residence during the treatment. They can be either placed into the refrigerator or placed into containers/boxes that the technician will remove from the residence during the treatment:
  - o Aerosol cans, candles, fire extinguishers, ammunition, unopened beverage cans/bottles/2 liters, live plants, and/or musical instruments.

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## POST-THERMAL (HEAT) REMEDIATION TREATMENT PROCEDURES

Wil-Kil Pest Control has completed a heat treatment of your residence for bed bugs and the following information is important to you. Please read through and comply with all instructions immediately after treatment.

- After treatment you will notice clothing, beds, blankets, sofa cushions, etc. are not the way you left them. We must move these items to get even heat distribution.
- The temperatures may be elevated upon your return and a cool down period will be needed. Opening windows or running the air conditioning unit will aid in the cooling down process.
- In some situations, removal of baseboards, door and window trim, and/or fabric from the bottom of box springs and couches is needed for better heat penetration to access all bed bug harborage areas.
- You may see dead bed bugs. Please do a thorough vacuum of the entire premises.
- The only items that we did not heat were the items you took with you. Items such as clothes, coats, backpacks, etc. must be placed in the dryer on high heat for a minimum of 20 minutes.
- Wash and dry all bed sheets, blankets, liners, and pillow covers on high heat that were on the bed when treated.
- Any vehicle you have been inside is at risk of having bed bugs. Since we cannot treat the inside of vehicles, please do a thorough vacuuming of the inside seats and trunk.
- The purchase of mattress and box spring encasements is strongly recommended and, in some cases, can be an alternative to throwing away your mattress and box spring.
- Weekly, visual inspections of all items that were previously infested is strongly recommended. Please capture, document, and report any live bed bug sightings.
- Consider your daily habits and places you visit. As we may not ever know how bed bugs were originally introduced into your home, they could come from a place you frequently visit. This includes workplaces, babysitters, friends, or family homes. If the infestation of bed bugs originally came from one of these locations, your residence can easily be re-infested following the heat treatment.

Additional Recommendations:			

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