

BED BUG FUMIGATION PREPARATION

- ❖ **Bring as few items as possible when leaving the residence for the fumigation.** Remember, bed bugs hitchhiking in clothing, purses, suitcases, back packs, boxes, bedding and pet cages is a common way for these insects to be introduced and re-introduced into buildings. Bed bugs have been found infesting small electronic devices, such as cell phones, Ipad's, tablet pc's, etc...

We STRONGLY recommend that you leave with ONLY the clothes on your back.

Immediately purchase new clothing and throw away the old clothing to prevent a re-infestation of the residence.

- ❖ **ALL fabric items that will be taken out of the residence during the fumigation, must be washed in hot water (140°F) and dried for 30 minutes on the highest heat in a dryer such as a heavy duty commercial machine, before returning these items to the fumigated residence.** This includes clothing, blankets, pillows, stuffed toys, pet bedding and anything that has been removed from the infested structure prior to fumigation.
- ❖ **All items that will be internally ingested such as food, beverages and medications (including toothpaste, mouthwash, suppositories and feminine products) must be removed from the structure prior to fumigation. OR** you may request special fumigation bags and all items for human and animal consumption can be placed inside the bags. If you wish to bag your food, the instructions that come with the bags **MUST** be followed or your food will be contaminated and the fumigators will throw it away for your safety.
- ❖ **Do not use boxes, purses, suitcases, back packs, gym bags or any similar items from the infested residence to pack belongings in.** These items should remain in the residence to be fumigated. Pack belongings needed during the fumigation in light colored or clear plastic bags or plastic containers, such as sweater boxes or new luggage not previously stored in the infested residence.
- ❖ **Do not place washed or packed items on furniture (beds, sofas, dressers, tables, etc.) or flooring (carpets or rugs) that may be infested with bed bugs.** Immediately remove packed items from the infested residence or place them on a clean, hard surface (kitchen or bathroom floor, in a bath tub or shower) until they can be removed from the residence.
- ❖ **Mattresses and pillows completely enveloped in waterproof coverings, such as infant mattresses, cannot be fumigated.** These mattresses and pillows must be removed prior to fumigation. It is advised that any mattress or pillow removed from the infested structure be destroyed and thrown away, or they may be fumigated in our fumigation chamber at an additional charge.
- ❖ **Pet cages, pet bedding, fabric toys, clothing, retractable leashes and other pet items which can harbor bed bugs should be fumigated.** Pet cages with any small gaps, seams or hollow spaces that could harbor bed bugs should be left in the residence to be fumigated. Food in the cages should be removed prior to the fumigation. The pets should be transferred to new travel cages or housing known not to be infested with bed bugs to remove them from the residence prior to the fumigation. Pet bedding/blankets, toys and clothing should not be removed from the residence before the fumigation unless they can be washed, dried and packed as described above.
- ❖ **Personal mobility devices, such as wheelchairs, walkers, baby strollers, child car seats and cars, can be infested with bed bugs and should be fumigated.** These items can be fumigated as part of the residential fumigation.

I have received a copy of and read the above in detail and accept without limitation the requirements and conditions therein. I understand that failure to adhere to the required guidelines may result in re-infestation of the residence.

Property Address:

Occupants Signature _____ **Date** _____