

## TREATMENT PREPARATION

### For pantry/ kitchen pests, roaches and ants

- Remove food from the cupboards, cabinets, and under the sink.
- Place the food items on your dining room table, away from treatment site.
- Let the technician know where you have noticed the pests' trails or heaviest insect activity at.
- Need to vacate for 4 hours. People can return once the area treated is dry.
- For roaches and ant infestations, remove the items from under the bathroom sinks as well.
- Upon returning, do not attempt to wash down treated surfaces. Only clean off areas which are considered food preparation surfaces.
- You may still see insects after the treatment; the chemical affects their nervous system, so there may be more pests initially or dead pests surfacing days later. Do not attempt to spray any live stragglers with over the counter sprays, as this may affect the quality of your treatment. If you still experience pests one week after treatment, call our office to discuss what needs to be done.
- Post treatment, keep all food sealed in plastic bags or plastic containers.
- Try and keep clutter away from previously infested sites (this attracts insects).

### Bedbugs Treatment

- Prior to treatment, remove all bedding from mattresses; gather all linens, clothing, etc. from living space. This includes any textile materials that are machine washable - pillows, mattress covers, anything - and those that must be dry cleaned. Even fabric that is in storage should be collected. Wash bedding and any clothing/fabrics that may have come in contact with bedbugs in HOT water, and dry in the dryer if possible. Wash all other linens and fabrics as directed.
- After washing, place items in storage bins or bags, or garbage bags. Seal as much as possible to prevent bugs from entering and hiding in the clean fabrics.
- Empty closets in rooms where bugs have been found, or closets in which fabrics, linens, towels, etc. have been stored. Our service team will need access into these spaces.
- Unplug electronic devices in rooms being exterminated. This will make the area more accessible to our technicians. Vacuum floors, carpets, nooks and crannies. Steam clean, if possible, floors, rugs (if not machine washable), couch cushions, etc.
- Move objects away from perimeter of rooms. For example, if your sofa or bed is positioned against a wall, pull it away from the wall. The technician will need access to the perimeter of the rooms where bugs have been found, (probably bed rooms, living room, den/study). Vacuum along the perimeter of the room.
- Empty wooden bookshelves, desks, dressers, nightstands etc., and remove drawers if possible. Bedbugs can and will seek refuge between the boards of wooden furniture. This may include coffee tables, television stands, bed frames, photo frames, and box springs.
- Make sure to leave the place 6 to 8 hours after the treatment is completed.
- Wait for all mattresses, sofas, etc. to dry before sitting or laying on them to avoid irritation.
- Areas to be sprayed should be emptied of food. For maximum effect the areas sprayed should not be washed for 12 hours after treatment.

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