

Pest Control Pre-Treatment Instructions

Below is an outline indicating the areas that need to be prepped for each common pest service. Detailed prep instructions per area are given in page two. For the preparation work you are required to perform **before** your home inspection/treatment day. Based on pest infestation listed below, the areas indicated are **all** required to be prepped in order to perform treatment. Areas of the unit not properly prepped will not be treated.

Ants & General Pests

Areas to Prep	Kitchen & Bathroom, Floor
Additional Instructions	Prep all areas that are affected as detailed in next page.
*Vacancy period	2-4 hours

Fleas & Carpet Beetles

Areas to Prep	Floor, Pet Linens
Additional Instructions	Have your pet flea dipped on day of service. Vacuum 3 days after treatment and then as often as possible thereafter for the next 2 weeks. Always discard vacuum bags in outside trash areas. Do not steam clean for 2 weeks after service.
*Vacancy period	3-4 hours

Pantry Pests

Areas to Prep	Kitchen
Additional Instructions	Inspect all of your pantry stored food for pests. All food items containing any amount of pests should be discarded in outside trash.
*Vacancy period	2-4 hours

German/Brown branched Roaches

Areas to Prep	Kitchen & Bathroom, Floor, Faceplates & Wall Décor
Additional Instructions	Prep all areas that are affected as detailed in the next page. All instructions must be completed prior to treatment.
*Vacancy period	4 hours

Bed Bugs

Areas to Prep	ALL AREAS: Kitchen and Bathroom, Floor, Bedding, Pet Linens, Closets, Faceplates & Wall Décor
Additional Instructions	All instructions must be completed prior to inspection and treatment. Preparation for bed bug service is always the same regardless of how many prior services have been performed.
*Vacancy period	4 hours

Unit Area	Required Prep
Kitchen & Bathroom	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Empty cabinets fully and remove items from all counter spaces and leave counter spaces clear for service and clean empty cabinets • Place contents from cabinets and counters the middle of the floor in a large open room, or on top of a large table • Wash grease off stove, behind stove, and kitchen surfaces • Clean dirty dishes • Store uncovered food in refrigerator • Wipe inside of all cabinets with a damp rag prior to service
Floor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remove all loose items from the floor including pet food and dishes, children/pet toys, clothing, pillows etc • Sweep and/or vacuum throw vacuum bag away in outside trash
Bedding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remove all bedding from your beds including sheets, blankets, mattress covers, pillowcases, etc. and place bedding in a plastic bag immediately upon stripping them from your bed • Wash and dry linens as hot as possible while avoiding any damage to your linens, discard plastic bag in outside trash • After wash, place linens in a new/clean plastic bag--do not put them back on the bed until after the pest control service has been done • Take apart bed completely including framing and lean mattress and box spring on wall REQUIRED FOR BED BUGS • Dresser drawers, night stands, and furniture must be emptied—linens from furniture must be washed as instructed above • Plush toys and draperies in infested rooms must be laundered with bedding • Stored luggage must be emptied
Pet Linens	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pet bedding, throw rugs, and bedspreads where pets come into contact must be washed • If possible, steam clean areas with high pet traffic
Closets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Empty closets and bookshelves and place items in the middle of a big open room
Faceplates & Wall Décor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remove faceplates from all outlets, switches, and phone jacks and place in the center of the room
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clean grease off walls
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remove pictures and mirrors from walls and place in the center of room for treatment

FOR ALL TREATMENTS: Remove baby bottles and pacifiers from areas being treated.

Cover fish tanks with thick towels and turn off filters—Preferred assumes no responsibility for any fish that may die directly or indirectly from the service performed.

Move furniture 36" away from walls towards room center.

*Toddlers ages 0-24 months, pregnant females, and people with respiratory problems are required to vacate for an additional 2 hours from the general vacancy time of their given service.

AFTER TREATMENT: Do not liquid clean areas treated after treatment is done for at least two weeks after treatment. Avoid the use of damp cloths, wet wipes, etc. and use only dry towels to wipe down and clean areas that were treated. **Do not** vacuum or clean any applied dusts, gels, foams or other products on baseboards or in cracks and crevices of the unit. **Do not** tamper with installed devices such as pest monitors, baits, traps etc.