

## Heat Pro Bed Bug Heat Treatment Preparation

**Clothing and Folded Fabrics:** Any folded fabrics (folded clothes in drawers, hampers, etc) act as potential insulators against heat and bugs hiding within those fabrics could survive. Please either hang folded/stacked clothes or fabrics or put those clothes/fabrics through a dryer cycle on high heat for at least 30 minutes; then, put those clothes/fabrics from the dryer into sealed or tied off trash bag for the duration of the heat treatment. Those bags can be left inside, on a patio, or in a garage.

### **Please removed from the property the following heat sensitive items:**

1. All aerosol and pressurized cans - hairspray, deodorants, bug spray, asthma inhalers, spray paint, and cleaning products.
2. Candles, crayons, wax figurines, and oil paintings.
3. Any live plants or animals.
4. Food-Chocolate, fruits, vegetables, and breads (any heat sensitive item can be put into the refrigerator)
5. Beverages-Full bottles of wine and carbonated beverages
6. Medication/Medicine
7. Stringed musical instruments (please leave cases)
8. Vinyl window blinds, vinyl records, and vinyl fake plants.
9. 'Crocs' shoes
10. All flammable materials - butane lighters, lamp fuel, solvents, fuel for food warmers, etc. Ammunition can remain in the home, however, please unload all firearms.

*All electronics, plastics, CDs/DVDs/VHS tapes, books, and furniture will not be damaged by the heat. These items do not need to be removed and should not be removed.*

### **General Home Instructions:**

1. Please vacuum and clean up any diatomaceous earth or any other pesticidal powders. Please immediately discontinue the use of any 'bug bombs', sprays, etc. These over the counter remedies will cause bed bugs to spread.
2. Please advise Heat Pro if mattresses or box springs are sitting directly on the floor. Beds sitting directly on the floor can cause bed bugs to hide in walls and trim work. If an additional treatment is needed, Heat Pro will require all beds be elevated in a frame for 3 weeks prior to re-treatment to allow time for those bugs in hiding to come out of trim work.
3. You can leave all current bedding on the beds in the property. Please drain any water beds and deflate any air beds.
4. Please clean wood burning fireplaces of burnt wood or chemically treated fire starting logs.
5. Please make sure closets and other parts of the home are decluttered enough that horizontal airflow would sufficiently pass all content.
6. Please disable any monitored fire alarms or smoke detectors. Please advise Heat Pro before treatment if a fire sprinkler system is present. That system may need to be drained.
7. Don't remove ANY furniture including mattress and box springs before consulting us. Removing furniture heavily increases the chances of spreading bugs to other parts of the property.

*Bed bugs can take up to two weeks to fully die off after a heat treatment. While most bugs will die immediately, don't be alarmed if you find a couple live bugs after treatment. Please capture any bugs you find. Moving content is an essential part to an effective heat treatment. Do not be surprised to return to furniture and content slightly moved.*

*Preparing for a heat treatment is key to a successful treatment. Failure to properly prepare for your heat treatment may result in a fee of \$350 if a warrantied re-treatment is necessary. We will do our best to work through any preparation not done. If you have any questions about preparation, please reach out to a Heat Pro representative.*