



## Thermal Treatment Facts

Heat kills all stages of bed bugs; this is egg, nymph and adult.

Bed bugs start to expire at 113 degrees.

Typically a thermal treatment will take 6-8 hours. Expect to be out of your home for at least 10-12 hours for most treatments. Larger residences or those that have a lot of clutter increase cook time.

Electronics, furniture, fabrics, upholstered and other tough to treat items are easily and safely treated with heat. Leather couches will need to be conditioned after treatment.

All items subject to heat damage through melting, expansion or explosion must be removed from the site.

Reduction of clutter is helpful in reducing time on site and provides better results.

Clothing must be placed on hangers prior to the treatment. We can heat all clothing left in drawers or boxes but this will add time and/or expense to the procedure.

Pest Pro, Inc. is performing a green pesticide-free treatment. We will use **diatomaceous** earth to treat inside outlet covers and around baseboard cracks.

No personal affects should be brought with you on the day of treatment. This includes clothing. A fresh outfit should be prepared (including shoes) by running items through a dryer for 30 minutes and place in sealed plastic bag.

Personal vehicles should be inspected. It is not uncommon to find bed bugs in vehicles.

Consider infestation possibilities outside of your home. These would include friends, parents, work etc. These should be systematically eliminated to prevent re-infestation at a later date.

Prepare to vacate the treated area until cool enough to return. This may take several hours depending on the substrate.

Thermal treatment will eliminate bed bugs in one treatment whereas chemical treatments usually require three.



## **Preparation**

Clutter impedes the effectiveness of a thermal so remove all clutter from closets, drawers and all around the house or apartment. Hot air is the insecticide-we need to move it everywhere.

Remove pets, birds, fish, cats, snakes, etc...

Remove all house plants, put outside if temperature permits.

Remove all waxes, crayons, candles, etc...

Remove all alcohol, wine, beer, etc... (Place in Refrigerator)

Place medicine in the fridge and take what you need with you.

Remove all firearms and ammo, gun powder, fireworks, etc...

Take down all plastic blinds - the heat will make them droop and become unusable.

Remove all makeup, nail polish, etc...

Remove all items that contain any alcohol – rubbing alcohol, nail polish remover, medical prep pads, etc...

Remove all aerosol products - paint, hair spray, deodorizers, etc....

Please remove all money and valuables.

Remove all oils - cooking, motor, etc. They will expand and may leak.

Remove all compressed gasses!!!

Remove all flammables, matches, lighters, etc...

Unplug all electronics, TV, computers, etc...

The crew will be going into all the draws and closets so if there is anything that you don't want the crew to find or see please remove it!!!!



Any pictures will be taken down off the walls (bedbugs like to harbor in pictures). The pictures will not be hung back up, the temps will still be too hot and we do not want the frames to warp. They can be re-hung the next day. *Please let the crew know about any oil painting you have!*

Please make sure that clothing hanging in the closets is not packed in too tight. There should be room between the clothes so that heat can penetrate all areas. Excessive clothing can be placed in laundry baskets throughout the room.

Please leave clothing in drawers, and open to allow heat to penetrate.

Remove all cassette tapes, video tapes, records, photo albums and negatives. This is a great time to go through all the drawers in your home or apartment.

All items removed can be placed in a "NO HEAT" box by the door, we will inspect and deal with items inside.

Parking can be a problem because we come with 1 to 2 trucks (unmarked) and trailers. We ask that you talk to your friends, neighbors, and building super to help save parking. This saves us time and enables us to get your job done as fast as possible. We are sure that after all the prep you have done you would hate to see us be unable to do your thermal because we can't find parking in front of your house or apartment.

If the prep is not done properly you will be charged \$150.00 an hour with a 1 hour minimum for the crew to prep. If time does not allow for the thermal to be done because of the lack of prep you will be charged \$300.00 to reschedule the thermal.



Pest Pro, Inc. is not responsible for any damages resulting from incomplete preparation. It is important that ALL items on preparation list be removed or added to a "NO HEAT" box. By signing below you have indicated that you have received and understand the preparation required to obtain a successful Thermal Remediation® Treatment.

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