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SERVICE PREPARATION SHEET

for BED-BUG SERVICE

Dear Customer,

Gold Shield Pest Control has prepared the following list to assist you in preparing your home for bed-bug pest control service. **Please follow all the instructions.**

IMPORTANT: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will not allow your home to be treated unless these instructions are followed completely.

THESE INSECTS NEED BLOOD. THEY FEED AT NIGHT.

1. **Remove ALL items from the floor.** Remove all small items(shoes, clothing, toys, etc.) from closet, dresser, and underside of bed.
2. **Place fabric items in Dryer on HIGH heat** (examples: stuffed animals, blankets, pillows, clothing) for 20 minutes to kill bed bugs and their eggs.
3. **Wash all bedding. Dry on HIGH heat.**
4. **Move furniture 2–3 feet away from walls,** if you can. Look behind pictures, behind headboard, and under night stands.
5. **Remove Box Spring and mattress from frame. Prop it against a wall.**
 - Under-the box spring there is a thin fabric... cut one corner and look inside to see if you see any bugs.
 - If your mattress is very old, or bed bugs are visible and many are present, we recommend throwing away both the mattress and the box springs in a dumpster. Wrap them in plastic, if you can, and write “contaminated” on them.
6. **If your mattress is wrapped in plastic, remove the plastic** before the treatment (you can replace it after it has been treated).
7. **Remove the switch-plate covers** (light switches and outlets) so we can put a dust into the walls.
8. **Vacuum everything: mattresses, upholstered furniture, window sills, baseboards, etc.** After you vacuum everything, place 1/2 cup of cornstarch or talcum powder on the floor and vacuum it into your vacuum cleaner (to kill any eggs and bed bugs outside and inside the cleaner). Remove vacuum bag and throw away *outside in a dumpster*.
9. **Keys:** Make sure you have your keys! We lock all doors when we leave.
10. **TIME TO STAY OUT:** **People and pets** stay out for 6 hours after treatment.

NO GUARANTEE
Bed bug treatments cannot be guaranteed.