

# QPS HEAT

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR BEDBUG TREATMENTS

Prepare the following items prior to the arrival of our crews:

1. Launder all bed linens, blankets, and stuffed animals, and ensure they are placed in the dryer for a minimum of 45 minutes on high heat. After dry, place these items in plastic bags and completely seal them or remove from the premises until the heat treatment has been completed.
2. Launder clothing, and ensure they are placed in the dryer for a minimum of 45 minutes on high heat. After dry, place these items in plastic bags and completely seal them or remove them from the premises until the heat treatment has been completed. On the day of the heat treatment, only wear clothing that has been laundered, dried and placed in plastic bags as noted above.
3. Remove all wall mounted artwork and vinyl blinds and place them on the ground.
4. Ensure closets and dresser drawers are not overstuffed with clothing. These areas will be heated and our technicians need to be able to create effective airflow for the treatment to be successful. Extra clothing should be laundered and bagged as noted above, or removed and placed loosely in laundry baskets.
5. If possible, move furniture at least 2 feet away from the wall to allow for airflow. If you are not able to complete this, our technicians will be able to assist with this during the heat treatment process.
6. Dispose of any vacuum bags that may have been used prior to the heat treatment. Disassemble the vacuum and leave it in the treatment area to be heated.
7. DO NOT remove any items that may be infested (i.e. gym bags, luggage, baby strollers, car seats, excess clothing, outer wear, bedding, furniture, etc...)
8. Consider having an inspection performed on other belongings that may be infested such as your personal vehicles or additional storage areas to prevent re-infestation.
9. Please consider including a residual chemical application and dusting of wall voids as part of your comprehensive bedbug treatment protocol. These methods, coupled with the volumetric heat treatment, produce the best opportunity for 100% elimination.

The following items must be removed from the treatment site prior to the heat treatment. If there is any question as to whether these items are infested, have our inspector visually inspect them on the morning of the treatment prior to removal.

1. Persons, plants and animals
2. Candles, wax items, crayons, lipstick and other meltable cosmetics
3. Records, CDs, tapes (audio and video)
4. Computers and software disks
5. “Arts and crafts” items that are assembled with hot melt glue
6. Loose photographs (they may curl up)
7. Remote controls
8. Aerosol cans and all other combustible items
9. Musical instruments (they may de-tune due to expansion and contraction)
10. Magnets (like those used to hold notes on refrigerators)
11. Guns and ammunition
12. Fresh fruits and vegetables, chocolates, carbonated beverages, wines and other liquors, artificial sweeteners, vitamins and medicine