



## **Bed Bug Heat Treatment Preparation Checklist**

On the day of treatment, we will arrive at approximately 8:00am and treatment will begin at around 9:00am. Treatment will continue until approximately 2:30pm. Please plan to arrive home after 5:00pm. Here's what to do to prepare.

- DO NOT remove infested materials from the infested room. Aardvark will provide a thorough inspection to determine the pest situation.
- DO NOT leave piles of clothes in large garbage bags. They will not get hot enough in the center and could allow some bed bugs to survive.
- DO NOT leave piles of clothes on the floor. They will not get hot enough in the center and could allow some bed bugs to survive.
- Open all closets, drawers, and doors of all furniture such as nightstands, chests, dressers, and cabinets in the areas to be treated.
- Make sure that closets are not packed too tightly. The heated air needs to circulate freely.
- Vacuum all floor surfaces.
- Fans will be used to circulate the air during the treatment. Place all items that may be blown by a fan such as loose papers in a bag or box.
- All equipment, such as computers, televisions, etc., MUST be powered down and unplugged from wall outlets.

**YOU MUST** remove the following items:

- People and pets including dogs, cats, fish, birds, lizards, gerbils, etc.
- Aerosol can and compressed gases, flammable or combustible chemical compounds including gasoline, propane, butane, and cleaners containing distillates.
- Cigarette lighters and lighter fuel

**YOU SHOULD** remove the following items:

- Candles, lipsticks, oil paintings, acrylics, pictures, crayons, paraffin wax, cosmetics, canning wax and art objects including raw wood objects, wooden art crafts, and hand crafts assembled with hot glue.

**YOU SHOULD** remove the following items:

- Indoor plants including seeds and bulbs
- Fruits and vegetables (can be placed in refrigerator)
- Chocolates, candy, medicines, and vitamins (can be placed in refrigerator)
- Carbonated beverages and any food products containing artificial sugars (can be placed in refrigerator)
- Remote controls, audio and video tapes, CDs, DVDs, films, and related chemicals