



Canine Bedbug Scent Inspection Prep Sheet

All steps need to be followed prior to inspection! The Bedbug Detecting Canine (BDC) will perform at the highest possible accuracy rate once these conditions are met!

- 1) No pets are allowed in rooms during inspection. Pets should be removed from the home prior to arrival.
- 2) No pet food, treats, toys, or bones should be easily accessible to the bedbug detecting canine. We prefer these items be removed from the floor and placed in a sealed container. In addition, food debris should be cleaned off the floor, furniture, beds, tables, etc.
- 3) All areas and rooms must be made accessible for a more exact search. This includes closets, dressers, cabinets, etc.
- 4) All occupants need to leave the rooms/units during the inspection. The estimated time it will take to properly inspect a room is between 3-10 minutes (on average). Noise and human distraction must be minimized to create the most effective search environment for the BDC.
- 5) Rooms should be as clutter free as possible to allow the BDC to access to all areas.
- 6) Air conditioners, heaters, and ceiling fans need to be turned off 30 minutes prior to BDC arrival. All windows should be closed a minimum of two hours before inspection.
- 7) Extinguish all smoking materials within the home 2 hours prior to in-house inspection.
- 8) If not mentioned above, all other items in the unit/home can remain “as is” and no additional preparation is needed.

The scent detecting canine is trained to alert on items on which the odor of bed bugs is present. The canine alerts by “scratching” which can in some cases leave a mark on certain surfaces. If there are items which you do not want inspected you must remove them prior to inspection or notify the handler before inspection begins.