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DETAILED TREATMENT PROCEDURES FOR BED BUGS

1. Identify and confirm it is a bed bug.
2. Educate all who are involved.
3. Manage the problem.

Building Management should provide the educational articles that Black Widow has provided. Please advise the tenant that it may take several treatments to solve their problem over the course of months.

Building Management must contact the tenant and give them a copy of Black Widow's bed bug preparation sheet. The tenant **MUST** be instructed to not transport infested items to any other part of the building. Items to be discarded must first be cleaned, treated and destroyed (to eliminate re-use by others), wrapped in plastic, and sealed before leaving the building. Even the newer "seamless" mattresses should be covered with a bed bug certified mattress cover.

The entire target apartment should be prepared and treated. It is no longer acceptable to treat a single room in a suite, or one bedroom, and not the other rooms including living room, dining room, office or den. Migration of bed bugs through the target apartment is to be taken for granted, with the confirmation of bed bugs in a single room.

Management should notify the surrounding apartments (above, below & side to side) by letter (nail and mail), of the existing condition in the target apartment, and offer the option of getting inspected and treated. If more than 30% of the building apartment units have bed bugs, we propose that the entire building be treated.



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Black Widow uses three types of chemicals per treatment.

1. A flushing agent to kill the bugs shortly after they come in direct contact with product.
2. A residual chemical for an ongoing kill.
3. An Insect growth regulator to stop bugs from reproducing.
4. An insecticide dust in electrical outlets.

There are a variety of chemicals on the market in each of the categories detailed above. Black Widow cycles these chemicals periodically to avoid pesticide resistance.

The tenant must be made aware that it might take several treatments over the course of months to eradicate this problem.

The building management must schedule periodic post treatment inspections in the target apartment, and the surrounding units. We suggest two inspections post treatment, at 1 to 2 week intervals, and a third inspection four months after treatment.

Black Widow is prepared to answer tenant questions concerning chemical applications, or bed bug biology. Building management should address tenant concerns such as reimbursement for dry cleaning, how to clean personal belongings, and reimbursement for items damaged during treatment.

Black Widow suggests that tenant move-in procedures include bed bug education literature, with detailed instructions on cleaning and isolating potentially contaminated luggage and contents.