



Flea Treatment Information Sheet

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FLEAS CAN BE DIFFICULT TO CONTROL AND IT IS IMPORANT TO FOLLOW THE BELOW STEPS. YOUR COOPERATION IS ESSENTIAL TO THE SUCCESS OF THIS FLEA TREATMENT. BELOW ARE STEPS TO TAKE PRIOR TO AND FOLLOWING THE SERVICE.

STEPS TO TAKE PRIOR TO FLEA TREATMENT:

- Pick up all loose items off of the floor area – including living rooms, bedrooms, kitchen, and bathrooms regardless of floor surface type. Make sure to pick up toys, shoes, clothing, books, and other items.
- Remove items from under beds and off of sofas.
- Wash pet bedding in hot water.
- Arrange to have pets (dogs and cats) treated for fleas. A lot of people have the animal dipped at the vet while our treatment is taking place.
- If you have small animal pets (hamsters, lizards, birds, etc.) plan to remove them from the home during service. Or you can cover their cage with a sheet or blanket or put them in a room that will not receive treatment.
- If you have fish, cover the tank with a sheet and turn off the air pump.
- Vacuum all areas in the house, including carpeted and hard surface areas. Vacuum under beds and under/on sofas. Pay special attention to edges near baseboards and areas frequented by pets. Be sure to place vacuum bag or contents in a trash bag and discard outside of house.
- If you have a crawl space under your home, this area may need to be treated. Be sure that you know where to access the crawl space and that the access area is clear.
- If exterior treatment is going to be performed, please make sure all toys and other loose items are picked up in the yard.
- Plan to be gone for a minimum of two to four hours. It is safe to return home once all applied products have dried.

STEPS TO TAKE AFTER THE FLEA TREATMENT:

- Be sure to remember that you may continue to see fleas even after our service. Fleas go through a life cycle that includes egg, larvae, pupae, and adult. The pupae is unaffected by our treatment. Adult fleas may continue to emerge from the pupal stage for up to three weeks after treatment. Flea control takes time and it is not achieved overnight!
- Continue to vacuum every other day for at least a week. This is effective because it physically removes live fleas from the environment. The vibrations from the vacuum can also help to stimulate the fleas to emerge from their pupal stage thus speeding up control of the infestation.
- Maintain flea treatment on your pets and periodically wash (hot water) pet bedding.
- Follow the same above steps prior to our follow up treatment (approx. three weeks after the initial service).