



Crawling/Flying Insect Preparation Instructions & Aftercare

(PLEASE READ CAREFULLY AND CONTACT US IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS)

Phantom Pest Solutions will be treating your home for general crawling and flying insects. Please be prepared for treatment on the scheduled date: _____.

Understanding Crawling/Flying Insect Activity:

Structural Crawling and flying insects can inhabit various areas in your home, including kitchens, bedrooms, bathrooms, and hidden spots like cracks, baseboards, or inside walls. Insects can multiply quickly, and untreated infestations can grow exponentially. Proper preparation and aftercare are vital to ensure the success of the treatment.

Vacancy Guidelines:

- Minimum Vacate Time: 6-8 hours from the start of treatment.
- Sensitive Groups: Pets, individuals with respiratory complications, nursing mothers, and children under 2 years old must vacate for 24 hours.
- Re-Entry: Ensure the home is properly ventilated before returning.

Preparation Instructions:

1. Discard Infestation Sources:

Identify and remove any infested items (e.g., food, damaged goods, or heavily infested belongings). Seal these items in plastic bags and discard them outside the home.

Note: Phantom Pest Solutions cannot handle or treat personal items like books, electronics, or stored food. Assume responsibility for properly discarding or treating these items.

2. Kitchen & Bathroom Cupboards:

Remove all items from the lower levels of cupboards and drawers. Store them in sealed containers or bags outside the treatment area.

3. Furniture and Appliances:

Move all movable furniture, plants, and appliances at least one foot away from walls to allow complete access to baseboards and wall seams.

4. Closets and Pantries:

Clear all closet and pantry floors. Remove and store items from these areas in sealed bags or containers.

5. Toys, Clothing, and Personal Items:

Pick up all loose items like toys, clothing, and books off the floor to allow access to treated areas.

6. Fish Tanks & Pets:

- Turn off air pumps and cover tanks with a wet towel to prevent contamination.
- Remove pets (including birds and reptiles) from the premises.

7. Ventilation Prep:

Ensure windows are slightly open before leaving to allow the space to ventilate naturally.

Aftercare Instructions:

1. Do Not Clean Treated Areas:

- Refrain from vacuuming, sweeping, mopping, or cleaning treated areas, especially within 6 inches of baseboards, for at least 4 weeks.
- Avoid applying over-the-counter pesticides, household cleaners, or any other agents, as they will counteract the professional treatment.

2. Ventilation:

Upon re-entering, open all windows for an additional 30 minutes to 1 hour to ensure adequate ventilation.

3. Food and Storage:

- Return kitchen items to cupboards once you re-enter your home. Use non-adhesive shelf liners.
- Keep food securely stored in airtight containers. Remove garbage daily to avoid attracting pests.

4. Insect Behavior Post-Treatment:

- Expect some wandering insects and activity as pests are exposed to the residual barrier.
- A secondary cycle may occur as eggs hatch and pests encounter the residual application. This is normal and will be addressed by the ongoing treatment effectiveness.

5. Long-Term Effects:

- You should see significant activity reduction within 72 hours, but residual pesticides will remain effective for up to 3 months if aftercare instructions are followed.
- Be patient; the treatment will continue to work even as pests emerge from hidden or previously untreated areas.

6. Daily Habits:

- Remove garbage daily and maintain general cleanliness to avoid re-infestation.
- Inspect common entry points such as windows, doors, and vents for any signs of new pest activity.

Important Notes:

- Follow-Up Treatments: Depending on the severity of the infestation, a follow-up treatment may be scheduled to ensure complete eradication.
- Ongoing Prevention: Consider sealing cracks, maintaining cleanliness, and using pest-proof storage solutions to prevent future infestations.

Your cooperation and adherence to these guidelines are essential to the success of the treatment. Thank you for trusting Phantom Pest Solutions. If you have any questions or need further assistance, please don't hesitate to contact us.

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