**Bedbug Preparation Sheet**

**Step 1: Declutter Your Space**

* Remove unnecessary items from the infested area. This includes clothes, toys, books, and other personal belongings that are not furniture.
* Place all items in sealed plastic bags or sealed containers to prevent bedbugs from spreading.
* Avoid moving items to other rooms unless they are sealed, as this can spread the infestation.

**Step 2: Wash and Dry Fabrics**

* Wash all bedding, curtains, and clothing in hot water (at least 120°F/49°C).
* Dry them on the highest heat setting for at least 30 minutes to kill bedbugs and their eggs.
* Store cleaned items in new clean sealed plastic bags until the infestation is resolved.

**Step 3: Vacuum Thoroughly**

* Use a vacuum cleaner with a HEPA filter to clean all floors, carpets, rugs, and upholstered furniture.
* Pay special attention to cracks, crevices, and seams in furniture and mattresses.
* After vacuuming, immediately seal the vacuum bag in a plastic bag and dispose of it outside your home.
* Canister vacuum’s empty into a sealed container and cleaner canister.

**Step 4: Prepare the Area for Chemical Treatment**

* Move furniture away from walls to allow access to baseboards and corners.
* Ensure all pets and people leave the area during treatment and for the recommended time afterward up to 4-6 hours until products are dry.

The best way to describe your prep work is that it should look like you moved out and left only your furniture behind. “If it’s not furniture its got to go.”