

Apartment Complex Sample Bed Bug Policy

Bed bugs are great “hitchhikers” and unknowingly get into luggage, clothing, blankets, pillows, pet bedding and even souvenirs so they can easily spread from place to place. Bed bugs have been found in homes, apartments, hotels, motels, health care facilities, dormitories, shelters, schools and all types of transportation. Because of their “hitchhiker” abilities, once they are in an apartment it is often impossible to find out where they came from. However it is very important to take steps to prevent them from spreading and to get rid of them.

The XXXXX apartment agrees to:

- Notify you if the apartment next to yours has bed bugs and to also have your unit inspected for bed bugs.
- Have your apartment inspected by a professional pest control company as soon as possible if you find bed bugs in your unit.
- If bed bugs are found, XXXX apartments will have the apartment treated specifically for bed bugs.
- Please do not attempt to self treat with bug bombs or other pesticides as this can be unsafe and can create health problems if not properly applied.

Getting rid of bed bugs requires your cooperation as the management can only provide pest control treatment. It is the tenants’ responsibility to:

- Notify the management immediately of bed bugs in your unit
- Follow the tenant’s responsibilities within the apartment’s integrated pest management (IMP) plan.
- Help prevent bed bug infestations by:
 - Keep your unit clear of clutter
 - Inspecting any furniture before bringing it into your unit; especially used or abandoned furniture.

- If you rent a furnished apartment, do NOT exchange furniture with other tenants without getting approval from the management.

Sample