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## German Roach Clean Out Preparation

Sanitation is critical in roach control and homeowner participation is a must. Below you will find the steps it is necessary for you to follow before a German Roach cleanout is performed:

- 1. All people and pets must leave the premises for 4 hours once the treatment begins.
- 2. Clean areas under cabinets, sinks, stoves, refrigerators, etc.
- 3. Clean and remove all items stored in cabinets, pantries and storage bins in the kitchen and bathrooms. (You may place these items on a table and cover it with plastic.)
- 4. Vacuum all areas as you remove the items. This will eliminate roaches feces and old carcasses.
- 5. Unload the dishwasher.
- 6. Take everything off the stove.
- 7. Pick up and remove pet food dishes and food.
- 8. Take all garbage outdoors away from the structure.
- 9. Clear all counter space.

## Once the treatment has taken place and you are free to return to your home, the following steps should be taken:

- 1. Vacuum all dead carcasses, including those found in cabinets and storage bins.
- 2. Wipe down (clean) all counters and floors.
- 3. Wipe down (clean) all cabinets.
- 4. Wipe down (clean) all appliances.
- 5. Vacuum again before putting items back in cabinets and storage bins.
- 6. Place all items from cabinets and storage bins back in place.

## **Keys to keeping your home German Roach free:**

- 1. We will schedule a 7-10 day follow up with you. This will ensure we get rid of the hatching young.
- 2. Clean up all spilled foods and liquids.
- 3. Avoid leaving scraps of food on unwashed dishes and countertops overnight.
- 4. Keep food in tightly sealed containers.
- 5. Rinse cans and bottles before putting them in the trash.
- 6. Take garbage out every 3 days and away from the house.
- 7. Do not leave pet food in a feeding dish out overnight. Transfer pet food to a tightly sealed container once it is opened. Do not leave in bag.
- 8. Run dishwasher regularly.
- 9. Inspect all grocery bags for roaches before storing product.
- 10. Discard any cardboard boxes immediately.
- 11. Inspect children's book bag and lunch containers regularly.
- 12. Caulk gaps and cracks around doors and windows.