

## PREPARATION AND MAINTENANCE FOR 'FLEA' EXTERMINATION

## THE FOLLOWING IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE OWNER/OCCUPANT PRIOR TO TREATMENT:

- 1. Pick up all items from floor areas that are not normally stationary (i.e. newspapers, magazines, toys, shoes, boxes, etc.). <u>This includes</u> items under beds, chairs, sofas, dressers, etc. It may also be necessary to clear closet floors. Items picked up from the floor that may be infested such as clothes, stuffed animals, and other washable materials should be appropriately cleaned or washed.
- 2. Strip and wash all bedding in affected areas. <u>This includes</u> all pet bedding and throw blankets. Pet toys made of cloth material and stuffed animals may be washed if applicable.
- 3. Vacuum and sweep all areas prior to treatment. Place vacuum bags in a separate plastic bag and discard. This step should be repeated the day after treatment. \*Vacuuming should include sofas, chairs, and other infected areas.
- 4. Pets should be professionally treated for fleas and a pet flea program should be implemented in conjunction with home treatment. \*Pet runs outside of home may be treated, this may include garage.
- 5. Children, pets and adults should leave treated areas for (3) hours or until the chemical is dry.
- 6. After the evacuation period, occupants may re-enter the premises safely. Occupants at this time may get immediate relief from fleas, but more fleas may be present over the next several weeks as the chemical needs time to stop their life cycle. All treated areas should be vacuumed on a daily basis and vacuum bags are to be discarded to an outside source until no more flea activity is noted.
- 7. Every scenario is unique. Check with your technician to confirm your preparation and treatment.