

Look for these signs:

 Welts that are itchy and red on your skin. These welts can be many sizes and appear in groups of two or three or more.



 Dark red or brown stains on furniture, bedsheets and clothing.





Where do bed bugs hide?

Some of their favourite hiding places are:

- behind baseboards
- in and around electrical boxes
- inside couches/sofas, mattresses, box springs and bed frames
- in furniture and luggage

How do bed bugs get into homes?

Bed bugs can come into your home on almost anything including used items such as clothing, luggage, furniture, carpets and mattresses. Bed bugs can even come into your home on people.





What happens if you find bed bugs (or other pests) in your home?

CONTACT:
945-4663 In Winnipeg
1-800-661-4663 (toll free)
Outside Winnipeg

Tell the person on the phone that your call is about **pests**.

Please don't try to treat bed bugs on your own because this could make the bed bugs scatter.

How can you help?

- Prepare your home according to the instruction provided.
- Allow Manitoba Housing access to treat your home.

Manitoba Housing will advise you of a scheduled treatment date and will use a professional licensed exterminator.

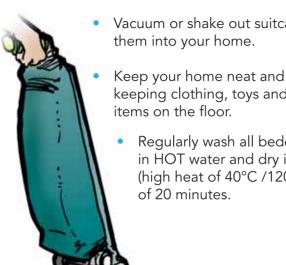


How do you stop bed bugs from getting into your home or coming back?

- Check furniture and other household items regularly. Inspect for bed bugs hiding in cracks, creases, folds, seams and tears.
- Look closely at any second-hand furniture, or clothing before bringing it into your home.
- Vacuum all mattresses and mattress frames.
 Remove the bag from the vacuum cleaner immediately after vacuuming, seal it and throw it in the outside garbage.



- Consider having a bed bugproof mattress cover installed.
- Watch for dark red or brown stains on bed sheets, and mattresses/box springs, especially around the edges and around the seams.



Vacuum or shake out suitcases before bringing

Keep your home neat and tidy and avoid keeping clothing, toys and other household

Regularly wash all bedding and clothing in HOT water and dry in a HOT dryer (high heat of 40°C /120°F) for a minimum

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