



NORTHWEST Pest Control

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SERVICING FLEAS IN VACANT UNITS

These tips will help improve the turn-over process in vacant units. Keep in mind each apartment may contain different levels of infestation and it's very difficult to know how quickly the problem will be mitigated. Fleas are attracted to carbon dioxide, which we produce, increasing their potential to hatch. Results will vary depending on the level of infestation, and the phase of the insect life cycle.

- If a unit has just been vacated and work can't be done until pests have been treated, please schedule carpet cleaning or removal after we have provided service. For complete pest control, a second application will need to be scheduled after carpet cleaning or removal.
- If carpets require cleaning make sure the cleaning company uses a beater brush to help dislodge some of the larvae and pupae out of the carpet.
- If the carpet is being removed make sure the edges are vacuumed thoroughly prior to installation of new carpet. Eggs are often dropped when carpets are rolled up; many flea eggs can be removed with the old carpet before new carpet is installed.
- The easiest way to produce carbon dioxide and agitate fleas to respond quickly to our pest treatment is to use dry ice. This can be found at Baskin-Robbins ice cream stores or other local resources. Set dry ice on a tray with a towel or cardboard underneath and leave inside each room. The next day vacuum the entire carpet and throw the vacuum bag away, or rinse canister well. Repeat this process several times, as needed.

If you have any questions feel free to contact us. Our office hours are 8:30am-5:00pm, Monday thru Friday.

Regards,

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