

## German Cockroach Preparation Sheet

**Sanitation is essential in controlling cockroaches.**

All residents and household pets should plan to be out of the treated area of the home/structure for a minimum of two hours. For the best results please perform the following preparation procedures to the best of your ability. Failure to do so may decrease the effectiveness of your service.

### 1. Before We Arrive Perform the Following:

- Removed everything from upper and lower kitchen cupboards and drawers. Placed items on the kitchen table or a location that allows the items to be covered with a sheet or blanket to prevent any overspray from contaminating dishes or other items.
- Clean cupboards, drawers and countertops.
- Pick up toys that may be left by children or pets.
- Remove pet food dishes and any exposed foods.
- Dogs, cats, birds, fish and reptiles should be moved to an area that will remain untreated or move them outside. If fish tanks cannot be moved we recommend you place wets towels over tank, disconnect the air pump and cover the air pump. We ask that you check with experts should you have further concern. All birds, reptiles, and exotic animals should stay out treated areas for a minimum of 24 hours after service.
- If you have observed roaches, in other areas, such as bedrooms, closets, in the utility room or in any other areas, be sure to inform your Service Technician that cockroaches exist in these locations. If these areas need to be treated please remove all belongings from desks, night stands, dressers, entertainment centers, etc.

### 2. After the Treatment:

- If you are pregnant or suffer from any illness or if you or any member of your household has sensitivity to chemicals, it is advised that you vacate for at least 4 hours.
- Do not re-enter treated areas for at least 2 hours. Make sure all surfaces are dry, if they aren't dry wait until they are before entering.
- Wash all exposed eating surfaces (including table and counter tops) and any exposed dishes or silverware. Do not wash any treated surfaces such as baseboards.
- Sanitation is the key to success in roach control. Keep areas under and behind appliances clean. Do not allow food and garbage to accumulate in areas where roaches feed or hide. Store animal feed in sealed containers.