



# Ecolab Bed Bug Customer Partnership



## Protecting You Against Bed Bugs in Acute Care

The serious nature of bed bug infestation and the financial consequences of ongoing bed bug issues mandate a thorough approach. There is no middle ground when it comes to bed bugs; they must be quickly and effectively removed from infested areas to reduce the potential of spreading to non-infested areas.

### Ecolab Service Consists of:

The Ecolab bed bug elimination protocol is an intensive service that eliminates infestations. The following outline, which includes the Bed Bug Partnership Checklist, describes Ecolab's service regimen for acute care facilities such as ambulatory care centers and hospitals with urgent or emergency care departments.

Through significant research and testing, Ecolab has identified tools, chemistries, inspection techniques, isolation protocols and application methods that provide superior efficacy against bed bugs.

- ▲ Ecolab will inspect and treat the infested rooms according to Ecolab's proprietary service protocol.
- ▲ Ecolab understands your need to minimize room downtime.
  - Room(s) available immediately following inspection when no bed bug activity confirmed.
  - Room(s) back in service 1 - 2 hours following treatment if bed bug activity is found.

# Checklist

SERVICE STEP	TASK	RESPONSIBILITY	
		PROPERTY	ECOLAB
PRE-INSPECTION AND INSPECTION	If bed bug activity is suspected, leave all items in suspected room or area including linens, towels and equipment for inspection by Ecolab.	●	
	Quarantine suspected room(s) and call Ecolab Pest Elimination.	●	
UPON FINDING BED BUGS	Inspect suspected areas and/or room(s), including other areas patients have been or where the bed bugs could have migrated and items or equipment that could spread the infestation.		●
	Sign a service contract and develop a treatment schedule for each infested room.	●	
	Take down wall decorations and move furniture away from the walls in infested room(s) and/or area(s).	●	
	Laundry washable items from infested room (such as linens, towels, bed skirt, comforter, etc.) with water that is at least 140° F / 60° C. Ecolab to provide dissolvable laundry bags. If hot water is not available, put the washable items in the dryer for 30 minutes before laundering.	●	
AS ECOLAB DETERMINES, BASED ON LEVEL OF INFESTATION	After inspection and prior to treatment, remove the baseboard from the wall and pull the carpeting one foot away from the wall.	●	
	After inspection and prior treatment, dispose of items that cannot be laundered or effectively treated. These items may include, but are not limited to curtains, equipment, supplies and upholstered, wood or wicker furnishings.	●	
	If Ecolab determines the mattress(es) cannot be properly inspected or effectively treated, discard immediately.	●	
SERVICE	Treat infested room(s) and/or area(s).		●
	Keep infested room(s) and/or area(s) locked and out of order for approximately 1.5 hours or until product has dried.	●	
	Clean all treated rooms by vacuuming carpet or sweeping floors and wiping down all exposed surfaces.	●	
	Thermal Enclosure <sup>SM</sup> Service (available in select areas): Treat infested mattresses and box springs that would otherwise have to be disposed of.		●
	Thermal Enclosure <sup>SM</sup> Service: Approximately 14 hours later, take down Thermal Enclosure <sup>SM</sup> system and inspect treated mattresses and box springs.		●