

Community IPM

Bed Bug Management—One Step at a Time!

Step 4: Clean Mattress and Bed Frame

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- 1 Use a steam cleaner on the mattress and boxspring.



- 2 Steam (140 degrees) kills bed bugs on contact only.



- 3 Use the brush or crack and crevice tool to apply steam directly to plush items.



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Clean hard surfaces with warm, soapy water and a soft-bristle brush. Use orange, lemon or pine-based soaps.



The next step is *Heat Treat Everything That's Safe to Wash.*



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