

Preparing for Clothing Moth Treatments is Essential for Best Results.

Now that you've made the decision to have your home treated for clothing moths, it's important to prepare prior to the arrival of the service technician. The treatment utilizes liquid insecticide applied in cracks and crevices, and in bands (spot treatments) on the underside of rugs, furniture, beds, and tapestry. It is necessary for you to leave your home during the treatment and for 4 hours thereafter—in most cases this is about 6 hours in total.

Preparation instructions for clothing moth treatments:

1. Closets where moths and their damage have been observed must be emptied completely. Closets should be vacuumed, then washed with a soapy detergent solution (liquid Dawn is fine) to remove dust, debris, moth webbings, eggs, & casings. All fabric items (clothes, wool linens, rugs, bags, shoes, etc.) must be laundered, dry cleaned, or treated with Nuvan Strips. Infested clothing that is badly damaged should be discarded. After treatment, laundered good may be returned to the closets. Items made of animal-based fibers should be organized and stored in garment bags, large zip lock bags, air-tight vacuum-suction bags, or similar closed vessels to protect from future insect damage.
2. Rugs containing animal-based fibers (wool, silk, etc.) should be professionally cleaned at least once a year. Ecologic will treat the underside edges of any rugs in your home. To do so, we ask that you turn rugs over, with the underside facing up, so the service technician can perform the treatment.
3. Furniture will be treated on the undersides, beneath cushions, and along cracks and crevices. For this reason, furniture must be accessible and free from items stored on or around couches, recliners, love seats, etc.
4. Storage areas where moth activity is observed (beneath beds, shelving units, chests, drawers, etc.) should be emptied and washed with the soapy liquid Dawn solution in the same manner as the closets. These areas must be accessible for the technician to perform the treatment.
5. Pets must be removed from your home during the treatment and for 4 hours thereafter.
6. Fishtanks must be covered with plastic, and the air pump unplugged as you leave your home. Immediately upon your return, the plastic should be removed and the air pump turned back on.
7. **After the treatment**, you may return your items to the closets and storage areas.
8. Moth treatments often need to be repeated periodically to maintain control. The use of pheromone moth traps is an excellent way to monitor for future moth activity. Please contact Ecologic to order the traps. If you contact us prior to the treatment, the service technician will deliver them to your home on the date of treatment.

Please don't hesitate to contact us with any questions or concerns at 888-780-0110. Our staff of entomologists will be happy to discuss the treatment in greater detail with you.