

Kärcher Cleaning Tip



Using the DE 4002 to eliminate bed bugs

Battling Bed Bugs?

The Kärcher DE 4002 steamer is the perfect tool for your facility. Vapor steam has proven to effectively assist in the elimination of bed bugs, foul odors and to sanitize surfaces. The DE 4002 creates steam temperatures upwards of 248 degrees, bed bugs and their eggs cannot survive temperatures over 120 degrees.

Procedure:

1. Mattresses and furniture should have all linen removed and properly laundered.
 - a. Laundry should be treated with high temp wash, bleach products or high temp drying.
2. Visible bed bugs and eggs should be vacuumed off surfaces with an upholstery tool or detail tool using the CV 30/1, CV 38/1, CV 38/2 or the CV 48/2.
3. One vacuum bag per infested room.
 - a. Bag opening should be capped immediately upon removal.
 - b. Remove using gloves and seal in can liner, place in secondary container for transport to final disposal.
4. DE 4002 should reach temperature within 9-10 mins.
 - a. Utilize either the hand tool or floor tool.
 - b. Suggestion is to wrap a micro-fiber towel around tool to capture excess moisture.
 - c. Run tool over effected area, back and forth ensuring that steam is penetrating upholstered surface.
 - d. Do not soak area with steam, area should be damp but no visible standing water.
5. Suggestion is to repeat the process in infected rooms for several days.
6. Vacuum room carpet thoroughly.



Remember no method is fool proof, but this will definitely address the problem with a simple chemical free solution.

DE 4002 - 1.092-801.0
2 wheel Transport Cart - 6.962-239.0