

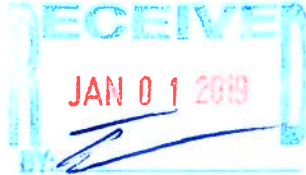
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Township of Plainfield
Thomas Petrucci,
Township Manager
6292 Sullivan
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Dear Mr. Petrucci,

Due to the growing problem with bed bugs, our company must protect our employees with the handling of mattresses and box springs. These items of course are part of the bulk that is removed under the specifications of the contract. We now must insist that all mattresses and box springs be wrapped with plastic before collection.

Should you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at 267-933-6034 or via email at sam.augustine@jpmascaro.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Samuel J. Augustine'.

Samuel J. Augustine

Enc.

SJA/jfc

An official website of the United States government.

We've made some changes to EPA.gov. If the information you are looking for is not here, you may be able to find it on the EPA Web Archive or the January 19, 2017 Web Snapshot.

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Introduction to Bed Bugs

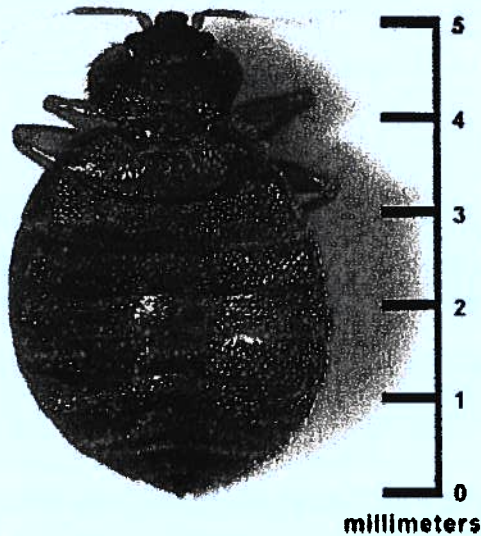


Photo credit: CDC/ CDC-DPDx; Blaine Mathison - This image depicts a view from above of an adult, *Cimex lectularius* bed bug. Adult bed bugs are on average 5 mm long and have an oval-shaped and flattened body.

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The common bed bug (*Cimex lectularius*) has long been a pest – feeding on blood, causing itchy bites and generally irritating their human hosts. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), and the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) all consider bed bugs a public health pest. However, unlike most public health pests, bed bugs are not known to transmit or spread disease.

They can, however, cause other public health issues, so it's important to pay close attention to preventing and controlling bed bugs.

Experts believe the recent increase in bed bugs in the United States may be due to more travel, lack of knowledge about preventing infestations, increased resistance of bed bugs to pesticides, and ineffective pest control practices.

The good news is that there are ways to control bed bugs. Getting good, solid information is the first step in both prevention and control. While there is no chemical quick fix, there are effective strategies to control bed bugs involving both non-chemical and chemical methods.

Bed bugs can be hard to find and identify, given their small size and their habit of staying hidden. It helps to know what they look like, since the various life stages have different forms.

More Information