

Climbup™ Insect Interceptors

Directions for Use

1. Installation:

- When handling the devices only touch the outer wall of the device. The inner walls are pre-lubricated with talc which can be easily rubbed off when handled.
- Place Climbup™ devices under each leg of the furniture where people sleep or rest (beds, sofas, armchairs etc.) so that the leg rests within the center well of the device (See fig #1). In order to avoid injury, be sure to use proper lifting techniques and do not lift any objects that too heavy for you to lift properly.
- Eliminate all other pathways for bugs to access furniture. “Bridges” for bed bugs to travel on will be created if the furniture is touching a wall or another object, or anything is hanging off of the furniture onto the floor. For example, all sheets and comforters should always be tucked in, and no items should be allowed hang down and touch the floor. All electric cords should be disconnected between bed and wall. Any items on the furniture that are touching the floor or wall will provide bed bugs a “bridge” to access the furniture bypass the Climbup™ devices. It is important that the only avenue onto the furniture is via the legs that are contained within the Climbup™ insect interceptor.
- The monitors should be left in place for a minimum of 21 days to provide the best opportunity to intercept bed bugs as they move around your home. Ideally, the monitors should be left in place indefinitely so that they are continually monitoring for bed bugs.

2. Once installed:

- Continue to keep furniture pulled away from the wall and do not allow any objects on furniture to contact the floor.
- Periodically observe the Climbup™ devices for bed bugs. Remove bed bugs from device by wiping out with cotton ball with a small quantity of talc and immediately place cotton ball in sealed plastic bag for disposal.
- Check the Climbup™ devices to make sure that they have not become compromised in any way.

Examples include but are not limited to:

- a. Checking for the presence of debris or other items present in the wells that may provide a method for the bugs to escape the wells.
- b. Checking to see if the talcum powder has rubbed off or has been covered in dust.
- c. Check to see if furniture legs have broken the plastic floor of the inner well

**** NOTE: If the any of the Climbup™ devices are compromised in way it will require maintenance, or replacement of the device to remove debris, re-lubricate the walls of the inner wells, or discard the device. It is important to exercise care when**

checking or handling Climbup™ devices after they have been installed as live bugs may be in, on, or around the devices.

3. Handling Climbup™ Insect Interceptors After Installation:

It may become necessary to handle Climbup™ devices from time to time to remove debris and/or bugs or to discard the devices. Care should be taken when handling Climbup™ insect interceptors after installation as live bugs may be in, on, or around the devices. When handling devices be sure to:

- Remove device carefully from beneath the legs of the furniture
- Wash device in soapy water to fully immerse all of the bugs
- Empty soapy water containing bugs into the toilet. The trap may need to be rinsed more than once to remove all of the bugs. After emptying soapy water and bugs into the toilet the toilet should be flushed. Physical debris should not be flushed down toilets but can be placed into a sealed bag for disposal in an outdoor trash receptacle.
- Fully dry the outer wall as well as the inner walls and wells of the Climbup™ with a paper towel. The paper towels should be immediately sealed in a plastic bag and discarded in an outdoor trash receptacle.
- Traps can now be re-lubricated with talcum powder (see directions for “Re-lubricating Traps”)

4. Re-lubricating Climbup™ Insect Interceptors

It may become necessary to re-lubricate the traps if the talc film is rubbed off, becomes covered with dust or the devices have been emptied and cleaned. When re-lubricating the devices be sure to:

- Make sure that the all surfaces of the trap are completely dry before re-applying talcum powder.
- Only touch the outer wall of the trap.
- Talcum powder can be placed in a dish and a cotton ball used to pick up a small quantity of talc.
- The cotton ball containing the talcum powder should be gently brushed along the walls of both inner wells so that there is a very thin dust-like film of talc on the walls.

**** Note: If you are concerned that you may not be applying the talc correctly, the device can be discarded and replaced with a new Climbup™ device that is pre-lubricated. If you decide to discard the devices, refer to the directions for “Discarding Traps After Installation”**

5. Discarding Climbup™ Insect Interceptors After Installation

Care should be exercised when Climbup™ devices to avoid contact with live bugs that are on, in or around the devices.

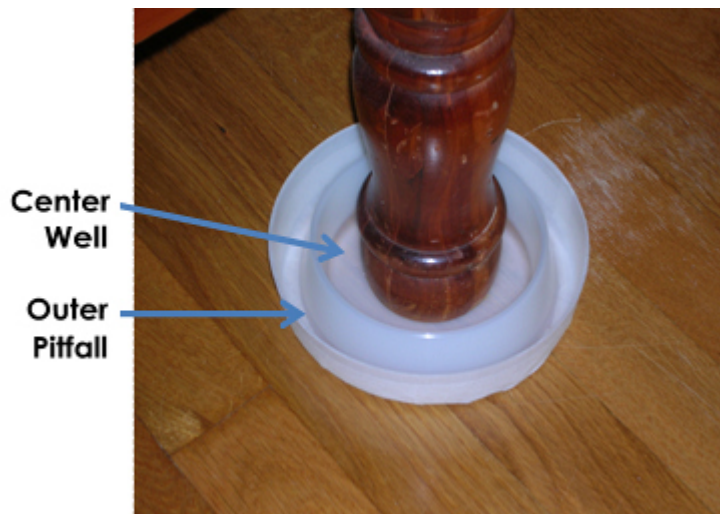
When discarding devices be sure to:

- Prior to removing the devices you should have plastic bags available to place the traps in after removing them from beneath the legs of the furniture. It is important that the bags do not have any rips, tears or holes. You should have the bags with you so the devices can be immediately placed in the bags once they are removed from under the legs of the furniture.
- Remove device carefully from beneath the legs of the furniture and immediately place into a sealed plastic bag.
- Wash device in soapy water to remove all bugs. Flush soapy wash water in toilet. Place cleaned device in recycling bin that accepts high density polyethylene (HDPE= #2 recycling symbol). If device is not washed, discard in sealed plastic bag in outdoor receptacle.

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FIG. 1. Climbup™ Insect Interceptor



The manufacturer of the ClimbUp™ insect interceptor is not responsible for any injury, disease or illness caused, or allegedly caused by bites, stings or contamination of bed bugs or any other insect.