## **Bed Bug Disclosure**

(California Civil Code § 1954.603)

The following terms and conditions are hereby incorporated in and made a part of the rental agreement between Tenant and Guest.

## **INFORMATION ABOUT BED BUGS:**

- 1. Bed Bug Appearance: Bed bugs have six legs. Adult bed bugs have flat bodies about 1/4 of an inch in length. Their color can vary from red and brown to copper colored. Young bed bugs are very small. Their bodies are about 1/16 of an inch in length. They have almost no color. When a bed bug feeds, its body swells, may lengthen, and becomes bright red, sometimes making it appear to be a different insect. Bed bugs do not fly. They can either crawl or be carried from place to place on objects, people, or animals. Bedbugs can be hard to find and identify because they are tiny and try to stay hidden.
- 2. Life Cycle and Reproduction: An average bed bug lives for about 10 months. Female bed bugs lay one to five eggs per day. Bedbugs grow to full adulthood in about 21 days.
- 3. Bed bugs can survive for months without feeding.
- 4. Bed Bug Bites: Because bed bugs usually feed at night, most people are bitten in their sleep and do not realize they were bitten. A person's reaction to insect bites is an immune response and so varies from person to person. Sometimes the red welts caused by the bites will not be noticed until many days after a person was bitten, if at all.
- 5. Common signs and symptoms of a possible bed bug infestation:
  - Small red to reddish brown fecal spots on mattresses, box springs, bed frames, mattresses, linens, upholstery, or walls.
  - Molted bed bug skins, white, sticky eggs, or empty eggshells.
  - Very heavily infested areas may have a characteristically sweet odor.
  - Red, itchy bite marks, especially on the legs, arms, and other body parts exposed
    while sleeping. However, some people do not show bed bug lesions on their bodies
    even though bed bugs may have fed on them.
- 6. For more information, see the Internet Web sites of the United States Environmental Protection Agency and the National Pest Management Association.
- 7. Tenant shall report suspected infestations by bed bugs to the Landlord or Property Manager at the mailing, or email address or phone number provided in the Agreement and cooperate with any inspection for and treatment of bed bugs.
- 8. Landlord will notify tenants of any units inspected by a pest control operator of the findings by such an operator within 2 business days of the receipt of the findings. All Tenants will be notified of confirmed infestations within common areas.

Tenant agrees to release, indemnify, hold harmless and forever discharge Landlord and Landlord's employees, agents, successors and assigns from any and all claims, liabilities or causes of action of any kind that Tenant, members of Tenant's household or Tenant's guests or invitees may have at any time against Landlord or Landlord's agents resulting from the presence of bedbugs due to Tenant's failure to comply with this Bed Bug Disclosure.