



BED BUG ADDENDUM



Date: December 17, 2022
(when this Addendum is filled out)

Please note: It is our goal to maintain a quality living environment for our residents. To help achieve this goal, it is important to work together to minimize the potential for any bed bugs in your dwelling or surrounding dwellings. This addendum contains important information that outlines your responsibility and potential liability with regard to bed bugs.

1. DWELLING UNIT DESCRIPTION.
Unit No. 201, 11238 SW Village CT
#201

Port St. Lucie
(city), Florida, 34987 (zip code).

2. LEASE CONTRACT DESCRIPTION.
Lease Contract Date: December 17, 2022
Owner's name: Continental 409 Fund LLC

Residents (list all residents):
Freeman Lewis

This Addendum constitutes an Addendum to the above described Lease Contract for the above described premises, and is hereby incorporated into and made a part of such Lease Contract. Where the terms or conditions found in this Addendum vary or contradict any terms or conditions found in the Lease Contract, this Addendum shall control.

3. PURPOSE: This addendum modifies the Lease Contract to address any infestation of bed bugs (Cimex lectularius) that might be found in the dwelling or on your personal property. We will rely on representations that you make to us in this addendum.
4. MANAGEMENT REPRESENTATION AND INSPECTION: Management represents that it is not aware of any current infestation or presence of bed bugs in the dwelling unit. Under Florida law, only a licensed pest control professional, hereinafter "Pest Control" is permitted by law to inspect for insects and render an opinion as to infestation or the lack thereof. You acknowledge that you have either: (a) inspected the dwelling before moving in or signing this addendum, and you did not find any evidence of bed bugs or bed-bug infestation; or (b) you will inspect the dwelling within 48 hours of receiving keys for possession of the dwelling and will notify us of any bed bugs or bed-bug infestation. If you do not notify us of any bed bugs within 48 hours of receiving keys for possession of the dwelling, you agree and represent that your dwelling does not have bed bugs at the time you took possession of the dwelling.
5. BEDBUG INFORMATION: Resident represents and agrees that he or she has read the information about bed bugs provided by Management and is not aware of any infestation or presence of the bed bugs in Resident's current or previous dwelling(s), home(s), furniture, clothing, or personal property and possessions and has fully disclosed to Management any previous bed bug infestation or issues which Resident may have experienced or are experiencing and has not been subjected to or living in an environment, dwelling, or home in which there was a bed bug infestation or presence. Resident represents that if he or she WAS previously living in a dwelling

or home that had a bed bug infestation that he or she has had all furniture, clothing, and personal property or belongings professionally and properly cleaned and treated by Pest Control that shall certify such items are free of further infestation. In the event Resident discloses a previous experience of bed bug infestation, Management shall have the right to see documentation of the treatment from Pest Control and inspect Resident's personal property and possessions to confirm the absence of bed bugs.

6. USED AND DISCARDED ITEMS: Resident acknowledges that used, abandoned or discarded furniture, clothing, and personal property can contain bed bugs which may infest the dwelling and be extremely difficult to control, and the costs associated with treating bed bugs are expensive. Resident represents and agrees that he or she shall not allow such property to enter the dwelling without confirming the absence of bed bugs or having such items properly and professionally cleaned and treated by Pest Control before bringing such items into the dwelling. Resident shall be required to provide proof that any such item has been inspected and or treated by Pest Control.
7. ACCESS BY MANAGEMENT AND PEST CONTROL AND RESIDENT COOPERATION: Resident shall allow Management, Maintenance staff and Pest Control to have full access to the dwelling at reasonable times and hours for inspection, pest control, and treatment of bed bugs if any exist. Resident and the Resident's family members, occupants, social guests, and invitees shall cooperate and shall not interfere in any way with inspections or treatments, or this shall constitute a material breach of the lease agreement. Upon confirmation of the presence or infestation of bed bugs, Resident must cooperate and coordinate with Management and Pest Control to treat and attempt to eliminate the bed bugs. Resident must follow all directions of Management and Pest Control to treat the dwelling. Management and Management's Pest Control shall have the right to set all conditions necessary for inspection and treatment of the premises for the presence or infestation of bed bugs. Simultaneously as we treat the dwelling, unless otherwise prohibited by law, you must, at your expense, have your personal property, furniture, clothing, and possessions treated according to accepted treatment methods by a licensed pest-control company that we approve. The Resident is required to remove or destroy personal property that cannot be treated or cleaned in the opinion of Management or Pest Control and holds Management and Pest Control harmless for any loss or damages to such personal property. Failure to comply shall constitute a material breach of the Lease Contract and this Addendum.
8. NOTIFICATIONS BY RESIDENT: Resident shall promptly notify Management of any conditions that may indicate the presence of bed bugs in the dwelling or in any of Resident's clothing, furniture, and/or other personal property. Resident shall promptly notify Management of any recurring or unexplained bites, irritations, sores of the skin or body which Resident believes are occurring from bed bugs or from any condition or pest believed to be within the dwelling. Resident shall promptly notify Management if he or she discovers any condition or evidence that might indicate the presence or infestation of bed bugs. Resident shall not try to treat the dwelling for a bed bug infestation on his own or hire any outside pest control company and acknowledges that Management has the full right to select its own Pest Control to perform treatments and cleaning of the dwelling and building if necessary. Failure to comply shall constitute a material breach of the Lease Contract and this addendum.

9. METHOD OF TREATMENT: If Management decides to have the dwelling treated and not terminate the tenancy, Management along with Pest Control shall have the sole right to select the method of treating the dwelling or any affected areas. Resident is responsible to follow all protocols or directions from Management and/or Pest Control. Failure to comply shall constitute a material breach of the Lease Contract and this Addendum.

10. ON SITE TRANSFERS OR TEMPORARY VACATING:

- A. On-Site Transfers:** If Resident is allowed to transfer on-site to another dwelling in the community, Resident must have his or her personal property and possessions professionally treated by Pest Control prior to transfer in accordance with the instructions of Management and Pest Control and cooperate in preventing further infestation or spreading of bed bugs to another dwelling or building. TRANSFERS TO ANOTHER DWELLING ARE NOT GUARANTEED even if Resident is deemed by Management or Pest Control not to be at fault. Resident will not be eligible for transfer on-site to another dwelling in the community if, in the sole opinion of Management OR Pest Control, Resident or Resident's family members, occupants, social guests, or invitees caused, or are responsible for the infestation or presence of bed bugs in the dwelling or building, have not followed the necessary procedures mandated by Management or Pest Control or if in the opinion of Pest Control, the bed bugs have not been eradicated from the Resident's personal property or an on-site transfer will cause a re-infestation. Failure to comply shall constitute a material breach of the Lease Contract and this Addendum.
- B. Temporary Vacating:** If Resident is forced to temporarily vacate the premises and find other temporary accommodations, under Florida law FS 83.51(2)(a)1., Management's only legal responsibility is to abate the rent for the time period Resident cannot reside in the dwelling. Management may choose at its sole option to pay other expenses Resident may incur but has no legal obligation to do so under Florida law. If Resident is requested to temporarily vacate, they shall do so within 7 days of written notice to Resident or this shall be considered a material breach of the Lease Contract and this Addendum. Once Resident has been advised that the dwelling is habitable, Management shall have no further responsibility to abate rent, and Resident shall owe rent and all sums due per the Lease Contract and any addenda.

11. RESIDENT CAUSED CONDITIONS: If Resident or Resident's family members, occupants, social guests, or invitees are responsible for causing or introducing bed bugs into the dwelling, Resident shall be in default of the lease, subject to eviction, and shall be liable for all rent, damages, cleaning and pest control fees, and other charges related to dealing with the bed bug issue, and Resident shall pay all reasonable costs of cleaning and pest control treatment Management incurs to remedy the bed bug infestation situation. If Management must move other residents out of their dwellings in order to treat adjoining or neighboring dwellings, then Resident shall be liable for payment of any lost rental income and other expenses incurred by Management to relocate the other residents and perform pest control treatment to eradicate an infestation in other dwellings.

12. NON-RESIDENT CAUSED BED BUG INFESTATIONS: If in the sole opinion of Management and Pest Control the Resident or Resident's family members, occupants, social guests, or invitees are not responsible for causing or introducing bed bugs into the dwelling, AT MANAGEMENT'S OPTION the Lease Contract may be terminated and Resident may still be required to vacate the dwelling and return possession of the premises to Management if it is determined by Pest Control that it is not feasible to eradicate the infestation with the Resident continuing to reside on the premises. Management shall not be responsible for Resident's consequential losses if the Lease Contract is so terminated.

13. DAMAGES: Under no circumstances shall Management or Resident be liable to each other for punitive damages for breach of contract related to bed bugs.

14. LEASE TERMINATION: In the event bed bugs are determined to be in the dwelling, Management shall have the right to terminate the tenancy by giving Resident seven days' written notice requiring Resident to permanently vacate the dwelling and remove all furniture, clothing, and personal belongings. Management in its sole judgment shall have the right to terminate the tenancy and obtain possession of the dwelling regardless of who is responsible for causing the infestation or presence of bed bugs. Due to the difficulty of treating and the often repetitive treatments necessary to control the infestation, Resident must vacate the dwelling upon such termination. A Resident who fails to vacate after the lease has been terminated shall be subject to an eviction action and assumes all risks of remaining in the dwelling.

15. INVALID OR UNENFORCEABLE PROVISIONS: If any portion or provision of this addendum is declared to be invalid or unenforceable, then the remaining portions shall be severed and survive and remain enforceable. The court shall interpret and construe the remaining portion of this addendum so as to carry out the intent and effect of the parties.

16. SPECIAL PROVISIONS. _____

You are legally bound by this document. Please read it carefully.

Resident or Residents
(All residents must sign)

Owner or Owner's Representative
(Signs below)

Date of Signing Addendum

BED BUGS - A Guide for Rental Housing Residents

Bed bugs, with a typical lifespan of 6 to 12 months, are wingless, flat, broadly oval-shaped insects. Capable of reaching the size of an apple seed at full growth, bed bugs are distinguishable by their reddish-brown color, although after feeding on the blood of humans and warm-blooded animals—their sole food source—the bugs assume a distinctly blood-red hue until digestion is complete.

Bed bugs don't discriminate

Bed bugs increased presence across the United States in recent decades can be attributed largely to a surge in international travel and trade. It's no surprise then that bed bugs have been found time and time again to have taken up residence in some of the fanciest hotels and apartment buildings in some of the nation's most expensive neighborhoods.

Nonetheless, false claims that associate bed bugs presence with poor hygiene and uncleanness have caused rental housing residents, out of shame, to avoid notifying owners of their presence. This serves only to enable the spread of bed bugs.

While bed bugs are, by their very nature, more attracted to clutter, they're certainly not discouraged by cleanliness.

Bottom line: bed bugs know no social and economic bounds; claims to the contrary are false.

Bed bugs don't transmit disease

There exists no scientific evidence that bed bugs transmit disease. In fact, federal agencies tasked with addressing pest of public health concern, namely the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, have refused to elevate bed bugs to the threat level posed by disease transmitting pests. Again, claims associating bed bugs with disease are false.

Identifying bed bugs

Bed bugs can often be found in, around and between:

- Bedding
- Bed frames
- Mattress seams
- Upholstered furniture, especially under cushions and along seams
- Around, behind and under wood furniture, especially along areas where drawers slide
- Curtains and draperies
- Along window and door frames
- Ceiling and wall junctions
- Crown moldings
- Behind and around wall hangings and loose wallpaper
- Between carpeting and walls (carpet can be pulled away from the wall and tack strip)
- Cracks and crevices in walls and floors
- Inside electronic devices, such as smoke and carbon monoxide detectors
- Because bed bugs leave some persons with itchy welts strikingly similar to those caused by fleas and mosquitoes, the origination of such markings often go misdiagnosed.

However, welts caused by bed bugs often times appear in succession and on exposed areas of skin, such as the face, neck and arms. In some cases, an individual may not experience any visible reaction resulting from direct contact with bed bugs.

- While bed bugs typically prefer to act at night, they often do not succeed in returning to their hiding spots without leaving traces of their presence through fecal markings of a red to dark brown color, visible on or near beds. Blood stains tend also to appear when the bugs have been squashed, usually by an unsuspecting host in their sleep. And, because they shed, it's not uncommon for skin casts to be left behind in areas typically frequented by bed bugs.

Preventing bed bug encounters when traveling

Because humans serve as bed bugs' main mode of transportation, it is extremely important to be mindful of bed bugs when away from home. Experts agree that the spread of bed bugs across all regions of the United States is largely attributed to an increase in international travel and trade. Travelers are therefore encouraged to take a few minutes upon arriving to their temporary destination to thoroughly inspect their accommodations, so as to ensure that any uninvited guests are detected before the decision is made to unpack.

Because bed bugs can easily travel from one room to another, it is also recommended that travelers thoroughly inspect their luggage and belongings for bed bugs before departing for home.

Bed bug do's and don'ts

- **Do not bring used furniture from unknown sources into your dwelling.** Countless bed bug infestations have stemmed directly from the introduction into a resident's unit of second-hand and abandoned furniture. Unless the determination can be made with absolute certainty that a piece of second-hand furniture is bed bug-free, residents should assume that the reason a seemingly nice looking leather couch, for example, is sitting curbside, waiting to be hauled off to the landfill, may very well be due to the fact that it's teeming with bed bugs.
- **Do address bed bug sightings immediately.** Rental housing residents who suspect the presence of bed bugs in their unit must immediately notify the owner.
- **Do not attempt to treat bed bug infestations.** Under no circumstance should you attempt to eradicate bed bugs. Health hazards associated with the misapplication of traditional and non-traditional, chemical-based insecticides and pesticides poses too great a risk to you and your neighbors.
- **Do comply with eradication protocol.** If the determination is made that your unit is indeed playing host to bed bugs, you must comply with the bed bug eradication protocol set forth by both your owner and their designated pest management company.

