



## **theBugGuys.ca Prep Sheet (Carpenter Ant)**

the Carpenter Ant is a hardy, resourceful and large insect with the ability to make harborage in peoples homes, and around the exterior of the property. Carpenter Ant intruders are attracted to weather damaged wood, waste food and organic debris and exist in large colonies most often associated initially with the exterior environment surrounding homes. Treatment for Carpenter Ant populations take this into account and the biggest focus when treating Carpenter Ant intruders is to initially push the populations from the interior to allow for more effective treatment in exterior areas where the source colonies most likely exist. Understanding this, following the procedures below and working in conjunction with your Pest Control Technician. Control measures can be extremely effective. However, it is imperative that the client understand their role in controlling the pest. Controlling and eliminating a problem is a Team Effort.

- 1. Clear all cupboards in bathroom and kitchen of ALL contents.**
- 2. Remove all obstructions from walls and place in middle of ALL rooms.**
- 3. Remove all obstructions from the perimeter foundation areas of the exterior of the home to allow for treatment and identification of potential entry or harborage points.**
- 4. Ensure food is kept sealed, loose debris cleaned routinely and standing water not left in sink. Areas located under kitchen stove and fridge to remain clear of organic waste or food debris on routine basis.**