

AN ANALYSIS OF DIFFERENT WAYS PMP'S ARE USING SENSCI ACTIV BED BUG LURE WITH SENSCI™ BLACKOUT® BED BUG DETECTOR

There are several different methods that pest management professionals are using when installing SenSci Activ bed bug lure within a SenSci BlackOut bed bug detector. The following is a short overview of each as well as any concerns that should be noted with each installation style.

Please note that SenSci Activ should be kept out of reach of children and pets. Therefore some reported use patterns below should only be considered when children and pets are not present or individuals within the situation will not touch the exposed lure packet.



ADHERING THE SENSCI ACTIV LURE PACKET TO THE BED LEG ABOVE SENSCI BLACKOUT

Adhering the SenSci Activ lure packet to the bed leg just above SenSci BlackOut may be the most appropriate method to use Activ with BlackOut. If this installation technique is used the lure packet should be checked periodically to be sure it has not fallen from the leg and created a bridge for bed bugs to escape the BlackOut monitor. A user can adhere the packet to the leg with the most suitable type of adherent (options may include tape or other sticky substance).



PLACING/STANDING THE SENSCI ACTIV BED BUG LURE PACKET NEXT TO THE BED LEG IN THE CENTER WELL OF SENSCI BLACKOUT

Standing the packet in the center well and leaning it against the bed leg will reduce the chance that the packet becomes lodged under the bed leg but does pose some additional concerns. If the lure packet falls towards the outside of the BlackOut device it may create a bridge for bed bugs leaving the bed to bypass the pitfall area and escape from the bed. If this installation method is utilized the placement of the packet should be monitored. A small piece of tape or other adherent can be used to keep the Activ lure packet attached to the bed leg.



PLACING SENSCI ACTIV IN THE CENTER WELL OF SENSCI BLACKOUT UNDER THE BED LEG

Some users of SenSci Activ are placing the lure in the center well of the SenSci BlackOut and place the bed leg on top of the packet. The primary concern to note with this installation style is will the pressure of the bed leg tear or alter the packet. If the packet becomes torn or ripped it may reduce the life-span of the lure, increase the release of the lure thus making it less attractive to bed bugs or lure may leak out of the packet. While users are not reporting noting these issues, if a professional decides to utilize this installation style these issues should be monitored for.



NEVER

If SenSci Activ bed bug lure is being used with SenSci BlackOut bed bug detector, the lure packet **SHOULD NEVER** be placed within the pitfall trap well of SenSci BlackOut. The presence of the lure packet in the pitfall trap area of the monitor will provide a bridge for bed bugs to escape the device and render it ineffective.

**The SenSci Activ lure can be used with most bed bug monitors and fits perfectly with SenSci Volcano bed bug monitor.*

SENSCI BLACKOUT DIRECTIONS FOR USE & MAINTENANCE



Place one BlackOut device under each of the legs of beds, couches or other furniture of concern for bed bugs.



If furniture leg does not fit in the center well of the device, place the device next to each of the legs of the furniture.

If the furniture is resting on the floor, place one BlackOut device every three feet on the floor around the perimeter of the furniture or at the four corners of the bed.



CLEANING TO PREVENT ESCAPE

BlackOut's recommended maintenance is cleaning the trap well with a microfiber cloth every 2-4 weeks to clear any dust out of the trap wells. Dust accumulation can be similar to rocks on a rock-climbing wall for bed bugs to escape. To help prevent bed bugs from escaping, thoroughly clean the inner wells with a microfiber cloth.

IMPORTANT: Only microfiber cloths should be used to reduce scratching of the trap well.



NO LUBRICANTS NECESSARY

BlackOut can be installed in a home without lubricants added to the trap wells. **While it is not suggested, if you're interested in using additives, such as talcum powder, visit www.SenSciOnline.com/BlackOutTalc for proper usage directions.*