

We will be happy to make you an offer and advise you on the optimum temperature and duration of the treatment. Contact us!



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Pest infestation – What now?



When works of art, carpets or antiques are attacked by flour beetles, fur moths, carpet beetles and the like, the damage can reduce their value or make extensive restoration work necessary. In the worst case, valuable objects can even be lost forever.

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What can we do about it?

At Welte-Furrer, we offer a proven and gentle method for dealing with pests within highly sensitive art and cultural objects. Pests such as textile moths, silverfish, woodworms and others are completely destroyed, without any residue being left behind.



The materials and objects we can treat:



Paintings and works on paper



Sculptures, antiques, furniture, picture frames



Carpets and textile wall hangings



Clothing, traditional costumes and other textiles



Antique books and archives



Taxidermy and zoological preparations

Our services:

We operate one of the largest nitrogen chambers in Switzerland and can therefore treat large-volume objects of any nature. We offer a complete one-stop shop:

- Collection and delivery with our art vehicles and experienced art technicians
- If necessary, temporary storage in the quarantine room in our modern art warehouse in Dielsdorf
- Placement of the objects in the chamber by experienced staff
- Treatment of objects under controlled and documented conditions
- Optional insurance coverage for the objects while they are in Dielsdorf
- If desired, subsequent storage in our security warehouse

The procedure:

The objects are treated in a special chamber for 3 to 8 weeks. During the process, the oxygen in the atmosphere is replaced by nitrogen, creating a very low residual oxygen content of less than 900 ppm (less than 1 per mille). At the same time, both temperature (21 to 26 degrees) and humidity (44-55% RH) are controlled.

The metabolism of insects at all stages of development collapses due to oxygen deprivation. This is a process pests cannot survive. This method not only fights insects that are easily visible from the outside, but also their eggs, larvae and pupae. Even mites that are difficult to kill with other methods are 100% destroyed by oxygen removal.

The advantages:

- 100% mortality of all insects at all stages of development
- High level protection of the objects thanks to controlled environmental conditions and the use of pure nitrogen
- No need of pollutants such as chemicals etc. with no residues whatsoever
- The process is effective even against insecticide-resistant pests
- No danger to the environment
- Treatment within Welte-Furrer Fine Art's secure and modern art storage facility

