



HOW TO PROTECT YOUR HOME FROM RODENTS



Things to do before you reach for the bait!

By protecting your home, you can reduce the need to manage rodents - here are some tips.



SECURE YOUR WASTE - KEEP YOUR BINS TIDY

By securing your rubbish bins, there is no food to attract rodents

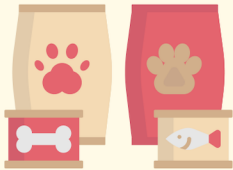


COVER YOUR COMPOST AND PICK UP FALLEN FRUIT

Rodents are attracted to food/fallen fruit from trees. You can use rodent mesh for your compost to secure it, and/or put it in an area you pass all the time, because rodents like quiet spots. Put a plastic or metal sleeve around the base of fruit trees.



DO NOT LEAVE PET FOOD DOWN OUTSIDE AND IF YOU STORE IT OUTSIDE, USE METAL CONTAINERS - RODENTS CAN EAT PLASTIC!



If you have chickens, store extra food away from the coop in a metal container. Remove their feeder and water at night and collect eggs. Secure the floor with rodent proof mesh, and clean up spilled feed before nightfall.



CLEAN UP SPILT BIRD SEED



KEEP AREAS AROUND YOUR HOUSE AND IN YOUR GARDEN TIDY AND CLEAR OF HIDING SPOTS

Cut back bushes and trees near the house and low levels such as ivy so rats cannot live underneath it.
Cut back trees that are close to your roof
Block off entrances/holes in your walls, doors and roof



WORK AS A COMMUNITY!
WE NEED TO ALL WORK TOGETHER TO MAKE OUR HOUSES AND GARDENS LESS ATTRACTIVE TO RODENTS

