

Safe Systems of Work

Rodenticidal Treatment in Domestic Premises

(only use as per product instructions)

- a) Once in the premises establish from the client who might be harmed by the treatment (i.e. domestic pets, children). Carry out a risk assessment of the premises.
- b) Carry out an inspection to determine where you are going to place rodenticides.
- c) Prior to commencing treatment of the premises select the correct rodenticides for the job and ensure that they are tightly closed and correctly labelled containers. They should be placed in your holdall and the top zipped up. Select the correct personal protective equipment for the preparation.
- d) Put on the relevant P.P.E.
- e) Tamper resistant baits should be used throughout with a 'non-spill' type bait. Open trays or spillage bait should only be used in totally inaccessible areas such as roof voids or below the floor and only if the customer specification allows us to use spillage baits.
- f) Place baits in inaccessible areas where at all possible (inaccessible to children and domestic pets).
- g) When using contact rodenticides, care should be taken to ensure that none could fall out of cavities or voids into open areas away from the section being treated.
- h) Ensure that any spillages are removed quickly and safely.
- i) Once you have finished the treatment, make sure that you can account for all the prep containers and that there are no spillages (choose one 'safe' area to make up all the baits etc.)
- j) Remove all your P.P.E. equipment and wash hands and any exposed skin.
- k) The client should be advised of the location of the baits, they should also be advised, in writing, of any unusual circumstances i.e. baits in inaccessible areas. The number of baits used should be recorded along with the preps used.
- l) On subsequent follow-up treatments, a search should be made for any dead rodents. These must be removed and taken back to Pestproof for safe disposal.
- m) Once the treatments are completed, the baits should be removed from the premises.

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