

Top 10 Tips...

For Rodent Control

- 1 **Deny Entry:** Rats only need a 15mm gap to gain entry, so seal all gaps round pipes and make sure any holes in exterior walls are blocked immediately.
- 2 **Remove Potential Nest Sites:** Keep areas clean and clear of debris and clutter. Cut back overgrown foliage.
- 3 **Food Waste:** Make sure all food waste is disposed of responsibly. Outside bins should be strong with securely fitting lids.
- 4 **Spreading Disease:** Rats can carry a number of diseases that are dangerous to humans, including Weil's disease, murine typhus, rat bite fever and trichinosis.
- 5 **Repair Roofs:** Rats are excellent climbers and will climb electrical cables, or use overhanging branches to get into loft spaces and attics. Ensure any roof damage is repaired quickly and wire mesh is used to cover gaps.
- 6 **Inspect Drains:** Drains are the source of many rat infestations. Ensure drain covers are in a good state of repair to stop rats gaining access. One way valves are also available.
- 7 **Liability:** Property owners have a legal obligation under the Prevention of Damage by Pests Act 1949 to keep premises rodent free.



- 8 **Fire Risk:** Rats and mice need to gnaw constantly to wear down their incisor teeth. They will strip insulation from electrical cables, which is a serious fire risk.
- 9 **Act Immediately:** If there are signs of a rodent infestation (e.g., droppings and damage from gnawing) act quickly to prevent a larger infestation developing.
- 10 **Call a Professional:** Rodents can cause serious damage to your business. Monitor provides rodent control that will eliminate the problem to prevent damage to your building and potential risk of disease.



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