

Prevent Disease Eliminate Rodent Nuisance Construction Site

Causes of rodent infestation

Construction sites are susceptible to rodent infestation because:

- Food, food remnants and refuse in construction sites are the food source for rodents;
- Temporary structures such as site offices and storerooms provide shelters for rodents;
- Gaps between the hoardings around a construction site allow the spreading of rodent infestation from the outside;
- Rodents may be brought into the site easily together with building material.

Prevention of rodent infestation

Eliminate food sources for rodents

- Store all food properly in covered containers;
- Dispose of food remnants and refuse properly in covered rubbish bins, which should be cleared daily;
- Do not leave dog food overnight.

Remove rodent harbourages

- Avoid accumulation of building material or junk for a long period of time;
- Prevent rodents from entering the voids beneath container offices by screening the footings with appropriate material (e.g. metal plates) so that the openings are less than 6mm.
- The threshold clearance beneath the doors of site offices and storerooms should be less than 6mm.

Exclude rodents from the sites

- Reduce the gaps between or under the hoardings around a construction site, particularly those facing side lanes or rear lanes, to not more than 6mm;
- Inspect unloaded building material to ensure no rodents are brought into the site with the material.

To control rodent infestation, the following should be noted:

- Never tolerate any minor rodent infestation;
- Early detection of rodent infestation can help minimize the problem;
- Be aware of the presence of rodent signs such as droppings, burrows, gnawing marks, smear, etc;
- Appoint pest control companies for regular inspections and control when necessary.

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