

## Quick Guide to Pest Solutions

## Rats in or around a residence

THIS IS A TWO STEP PROCESS – (1) eliminating rats that have infested inside attics, walls or crawl spaces, and (2) preventing their return.

STEP ONE involves trapping and removal with mechanical devices. We do not recommend using poison baits inside a residence. Trapping takes a minimum of 2 trips, depending on the degree of infestation, and sometimes 3 or 4. The initial visit is followed by a second trip to check and maintain traps approximately 5 days after the initial visit. Subsequent trips, if needed, will be at approximately 10 day intervals.

STEP TWO involves evaluation of any damage done, any necessary repairs and rodent-proofing, and the addition of approved baiting stations if there is a likelihood rats will be a continued presence in the outside environment.

A quotation for step one can usually be made on the telephone. Routine service to maintain exterior rodent baiting stations can be on a frequency of monthly or quarterly, depending on the environmental conditions. Approved stations cost approximately \$20 each to install and the average residence may need two to four. We do not require long-term contracts for service – but there is a six-month minimum. Residential monitoring prices average \$50 per month after the initial trapping period.

CRAWL SPACE CLEAN OUT, RODENT-PROOFING, INSULATION REMOVAL AND ADDITION. We will gladly provide a written estimate for this service (available in Western Washington only from Canadian Border south to Tacoma).

TIP: Rats do not come in ones or twos. An average litter is 6-8. Signs of rats may be noise in an attic (at night), burrows in the ground, droppings, or evidence of nesting (such as insulation pulled down). Eliminate harborage and eliminate food sources. Trim trees and branches away from house. Repair broken vents, screens and holes. Pick up pet food.

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