

<u>Fight Rats One</u> <u>Yard at a Time</u>



You can eliminate a rat's source of food and water:

- Store garbage in cans with tight fitting lids.
- Remove uneaten pet food and store food in rat proof containers.
- Clean up pet droppings on and around your property daily.





- Use rat proof bird feeders and clean up any fallen seed daily or discontinue all feeding if you see rats
- Do not place food for squirrels, birds and ducks or any other wildlife on the ground.
- Keep your BBQ grill clean and stored properly.
- Remove sources of water.

You can eliminate a rat's shelter and harborage:

- Keep yards trash free and clean areas behind wooden steps, under decks or any other sites that may provide shelter.
- Cut down high grass and weeds.
- Pile wood and other storage materials away from walls and at least 18 inches above the ground.
- Make sure windows and doors close tightly and place heavy screening on all basement windows.
- Seal any exterior holes in your home's foundation and walls.
- Fasten floor drains to keep rats from entering through sewers.



Remember, if you eliminate a rat's food, water and shelter, you will eliminate the root of the problem.

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Notice

- Rodenticide has been applied to this property as requested. Please find the Product Label and Caution Sheet attached. It is your responsibility to read these documents and to inform this department of any issues of concern.
- Front, back and side yards must be available at all times so that the bait boxes and other rodent control measures can be accessed.
- It is required that your property be maintained in accordance with the Erie County Sanitary Code to decrease the potential for rodent infestation. (See the educational information on the reverse of this document.)
- Your property will be serviced and rodenticide replaced at regular intervals until there is no longer evidence of rat activity. At that time the bait stations will be removed and your service request will be closed.