



Award in the Safe Use of Pesticides for Vertebrate Pest Control for Rats and Mice City & Guilds NPTC Level 2

This course is for people who are involved in the storage, handling and application of rodenticides (rat and mice poison). From June 2016 professional users such as pest controllers, farmers, gamekeepers etc. will require a certificate of competence to buy and apply the professional products. The course has two units which need to be completed, Principles; Rodenticides Rats and Mice and Practices and Rodenticides Rats and Mice. In line with the CRRU stewardship the course encourages people to consider alternative methods of control before using first and second generation anticoagulants and to raise the awareness of half-life secondary poisoning.

Course Content

- Current legislation and your responsibilities
- Awareness of the Plant Protection Products (Sustainable Use) regulations
- Interpreting the product label
- Risks involved to humans and wildlife
- Carry out a site survey
- Safe storage of pesticides
- Transport and temporary storage of pesticides
- Characteristics and biology of rats and mice
- Methods of prevention and control
- Apply rodenticide safely
- Safe disposal of empty containers, surplus unused pesticides and washings
- Keeping records and post operational procedures

Learning Outcomes

By the end of the course you should be able to:

Unit 1:

- Know the legislative requirements and Codes of Practice relating to the use of rodenticides to control rats and mice
- Understand the relevance of product label information
- Understand how to minimise the risk of human contamination and implement emergency procedures
- Know how to store and transport rodenticides safely
- Know how to manage and dispose of surplus rodenticides and waste materials
- Know the record keeping requirements
- Understand how to minimise the risk of environmental contamination and implement emergency procedures

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Unit 2:

- Be able to assess the environmental factors relating to application
- Know the characteristics of rats and mice and their impact on the environment
- Know the methods of preventative management and control for rats and mice
- Be able to complete a site survey prior to carrying out rat and mice control
- Be able to apply rodenticide products safely
- Know how to carry out post operational procedures

Equipment

All equipment is provided apart from wellies

Length of Course

1 day training plus 1 day assessment

Certificate

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