



Rodent Control

Rodents are a pest, and it is important that they are controlled appropriately. Our Rodent Control training course is aimed at learners who wish to develop their skills in controlling rodents effectively. The training will provide you with a full working knowledge of preventative and curative methods to be able to plan, implement and monitor a control programme appropriate to the situation using efficient and safe methods with due regard to the environment.

The training will include theory and practical activities during the day and provide you with an understanding of why it is necessary to control rodents, the biology and behaviour of rodents and legislation associated with rodent control. You will understand what information is required when carrying out a survey and the non chemical methods available to control rodents as well as the current rodenticides and formulations how they work, how to transport them, safe disposal and the importance of completing documentation.

The training is suitable to anyone new to rodent control or wishing to develop their skills further in rodent control.

This is an assessed course; on successful completion you will receive a certificate from a nationally recognised awarding organisation.

Anyone wishing to use metallic phosphides (aluminium phosphide) should take The Safe Use of Aluminium Phosphide for Vertebrate Pest Control training and Level 2 Award in The Safe Use of Aluminium Phosphide for Vertebrate Pest Control.

Who is it for?

Our comprehensive training is for anyone who wishes to control rodents in a commercial environment or undertake pest control predominantly in land-based or related industries.

This training will appeal to anyone in agriculture, horticulture, sports management and related industries where there is a need to control rodents.

What will you get from it?

- Identify rats and mice and the typical symptoms of damage caused.
- Identify the degree and source of the infestation.
- State the legislative obligations and responsibilities relevant to the control of rats and mice.
- Describe the lifestyle, habits and habitats of rats and mice.
- Plan, implement and monitor an effective control programme for rats and mice.
- Select and carry out the most appropriate methods of rat and mouse control, in line with current legal guidelines and recognised good practice.
- Understand the effect rodent control can have on the environment to ensure risks to non-target animals are minimised.

Course sessions:

- Reasons for controlling rodents
- The biology and behaviour of rodents
- Current rodenticides and formulations
- Surveying
- Non-chemical rodent control
- Safe use, storage, transport and disposal of rodenticides

Course Duration

1 day – classroom and practical session

Further information - please see the Links page

City and Guilds NPTC - www.nptc.org.uk

Lantra Awards - www.lantra-awards.co.uk