



## Best Practice for RatAbate® Rodenticide Poison

This covers the most efficient (least amount of effort) and effective (best results) of accomplishing the application of RatAbate Paste, 18 gram Strikers, and 75 gram Defenders based on reputable procedures that have proven themselves as a result of research outcomes and over time by Connovation field advisors and large numbers of customers.

### RatAbate Paste

- Select a Sentry, Philproof or KK bait station which are specifically designed for securing rodent bait and will prevent predation by non-target species and afford protection from the weather.
- Site bait stations in those areas where there is evidence of rodents being present i.e. fresh droppings, rub marks, gnawing, feeding activity, or sightings; position bait stations so that they are not readily accessible by children, domestic pets or others; and stations must not be placed in water.
- If a large number of bait stations are placed then record the stations on GPS or geo map. This will ensure all stations are replenished with bait and once baiting is discontinued that all stations and poison is removed.
- Put gloves on before applying.
- Using a spatula or similar for the purposes of applying only RatAbate, place 70-80 grams of paste into each bait station.
- Check each bait stations at two day intervals in the first instance in cases of high population; you don't want the bait to run out. Perhaps scale back if bait take is reduced. Where part or all of the bait has been eaten, replace with fresh bait. If consistent bait takes occur then the quantity of bait into stations must be increased and or additional stations be placed.
- All removed stale bait and empty containers must be disposed of as per label directions.

- Wash spatula and gloves in clean water and store in poison store for future use.
- Store in original container away from children, pets or food and wash hands.
- Adhere strictly to product label directions at all times.

### **RatAbate 18 gram Strikers**



- Put gloves on.
- Site Strikers in those areas where there is evidence of rodents being present i.e. fresh droppings, rub marks, gnawing, or sightings; position Strikers so that they are not readily accessible by children, domestic pets or others; Strikers must not be placed in water.
- Affix Strikers into place by stapling directly onto trees and fence posts, and placed or stapled inside permanent bait stations where the presence of rodents is observed.
- To help prevent the Striker tags from breaking carefully select a suitable surface to staple to and use longer staples in the staple gun.
- The number of Strikers to be placed will depend on the rat infestation and how frequently the bait uptake is to be checked and baits renewed. A good guide is to place a minimum of 3 strikers no less than 75 metres between sites in continuous

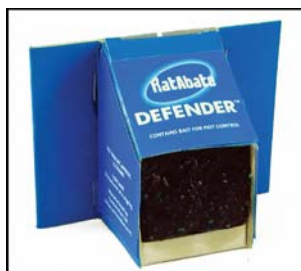


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- Check Strikers at two day intervals in the first instance in cases of high population, you don't want the bait to run out. Perhaps scale back if bait take is reduced. Where Strikers have been entirely eaten replace with fresh Strikers. Where Strikers have been partially eaten leave in place and insert the equivalent number of new Strikers. When consistent Strikers are eaten this signifies a high rodent population in that area and the quantity of Strikers at each site must be either increased or additional Strikers be placed.
- If a large number of Strikers are placed then it is recommended that their location is recorded on GPS or geo map. This will ensure all Striker takes are recorded and new Strikers inserted where there is bait uptake and that they are removed at completion of the work.
- All removed stale bait and empty containers must be disposed of as per label directions.
- Store in original container away from children, pets or food and wash hands.
- Adhere strictly to product label directions at all times.

## **RatAbate 75 gram Defenders**



- Put gloves on.
- Site Defenders in those areas where there is evidence of rodents being present i.e. fresh droppings, rub marks, gnawing, or sightings; position Defenders so that they are not readily accessible by children, domestic pets or others; and Defenders must not be placed in water.



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- Affix Defenders into place by stapling directly onto trees and fence posts, and placed or stapled inside suitable bait stations where the presence of rodents is observed and out of the reach of non target species.
- A suitable bait station is one that allows the bait to be contained inside such as by a securing wire, stapling or other and when placed on the ground it will preclude non-target species like children, dogs and cats from gaining access to the bait. Philproof and Sentry are highly suitable.
- The number of Defenders to be placed will depend on the rat infestation i.e. low, medium or high numbers, and how frequently the bait uptake is to be checked and baits renewed. A good guide is to place 1 Defender no less than 75 metres between sites in continuous habitat. And 2 Defenders for medium to high densities with a reduced spacing of no less that 50 metres between Strikers.
- Check Defenders at two day intervals in the first instance in cases of high population, you don't want the bait to run out. Perhaps scale back if bait take is reduced. Where Defenders have been entirely eaten replace with fresh ones. Where Defenders have been partially eaten leave in place and insert the equivalent number of new Defenders. When consecutive Defenders are eaten this signifies a high rodent population in that area and the quantity of Defenders at each site must be either increased or additional one's placed.
- If a large number of Defenders are placed then it is recommended that their location is recorded on GPS or geo map. This will ensure that all Defenders are recorded and new Defenders inserted where there is bait uptake and that they are all removed at the completion of work.
- All removed stale bait and empty containers must be disposed of as per label directions.
- Store in original container away from children, pets or food and wash hands.

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