### PREVENT RODENTS IN YOUR HOME

#### 10 Ways to Stop Rodents from Invading!



#### Be mindful of doors and windows!

Install door sweeps on exterior doors and repair damaged screens. Remember, mice can fit through holes the size of a dime, so it's important to block any potential entrances!

#### Who's coming down the chimney?



# Seal those cracks!

Seal cracks and holes on the outside of the home, including areas where utilities and pipes enter the home, using caulk, copper mesh, or a combination of both.



Sorry Santa! Some rodents can find their way into vents and chimneys, so consider putting wire screens on the exterior openings.

### Be smart about food storage.

Store food and pantry ingredients in durable, airtight containers, and dispose of food waste regularly.

#### Don't forget about the small spaces.

Keep attics, basements, and crawl spaces well ventilated and dry.

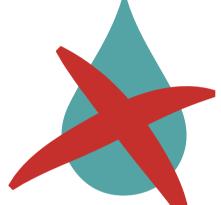




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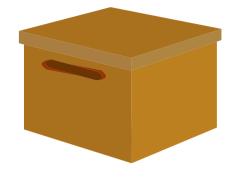
Basic exclusion techniques to keep out rats and mice





### Keep it dry!

Pests love moist, warm areas around the home. Eliminate all moisture sites, including leaking pipes and clogged drains that provide the perfect breeding site for pests.



#### Check and Inspect.

Inspect items such as boxes, grocery bags and other packages brought into the home. When setting up seasonal decorations, consider unpacking them outdoors.

# Pay attention to the outside.



### Call in the pros!



If you suspect a rodent infestation in your home, contact a licensed pest professional to inspect and treat the problem!



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Store firewood at least 20 feet away from the house and keep shrubbery trimmed and cut back.