

**NPTC LEVEL 2 AWARD IN THE SAFE  
USE OF PESTICIDES FOR VERTEBRATE  
PEST CONTROL FOR RATS AND MICE**



By Law everyone who uses pesticides professionally must have received adequate training in using pesticides safely.

**Course Duration:**

A one day course for a maximum of 8 trainees

**Objectives:**

The assessment consists of two compulsory units:

Unit 251: Principles

1. Know the legislative requirements and Codes of Practice relating to the use of rodenticides to control rats and mice
2. Understand the relevance of product label information
3. Understand how to minimise the risk of human contamination and implement emergency procedures
4. Know how to store and transport rodenticide products safely
5. Know how to manage and dispose of surplus rodenticide and waste materials
6. Know the record keeping requirements
7. Understand how to minimise the risk of environmental contamination and implement emergency procedures

Unit 252: Practices

1. Be able to comply with the legislative and safety regulations relating to rodenticide use for the control of rats and mice
2. Be able to assess the environmental factors relating to application
3. Know the characteristics of rats and mice and their impact on the environment
4. Know the methods of preventative management and control for rats and mice
5. Be able to complete a site survey prior to carrying out rat and mice control
6. Be able to apply rodenticide products safely
7. Know how to carry out post operational procedures

**Equipment required:**

The course includes classroom and outside practical demonstration so practical outdoor clothing is essential