

SAPPHIRE PASTE

Paste-bait ready for use containing 0.004%w/w of Brodifacoum

Authorisation No: UK-2015-0900

User category: For professional use only

Field of use: In and around building only

Application method: In bait stations or other covering

Target organisms: Brown rat (*Rattus norvegicus*); House mouse (*Mus musculus*).

Application rate(s) and frequency:

For rats high infestation: up to 60g covered tamper resistant baiting stations or covered bait points every 5 metres. Low infestation: up to 60g covered tamper resistant baiting stations or covered bait points every 10 metres. For mice high infestation: up to 10 g covered tamper resistant baiting stations or covered bait points every 3 metres. Low infestation: up to 10 g covered tamper resistant baiting stations or covered bait points every 5 metres. Make frequent inspections of the bait points during the first 10-14 days and replace any bait eaten by rodents or that has been damaged by water or contaminated by dirt. If all the bait has been eaten from certain areas, increase the quantity of bait by placing more bait points. Do not increase the bait point size. The product must never be placed indiscriminately.

Resistance information:

The resistance status of the target population should be taken into account when considering the choice of rodenticide to be used. In those areas where evidence of resistance to specific active ingredients is suspected, avoid their use. To control the spreading of resistance, it is advisable to alternate baits containing different anticoagulant active ingredients.

Instructions for use:

To be used only by professional users holding certification demonstrating compliance with UK rodenticide stewardship regime requirements. Read the label before use. Using this product in a manner that is inconsistent with the label may be an offence. Refer to the CRRU UK Code of Best Practice (or equivalent) for guidance. When this product is supplied to a user for the control of rodents, it shall only be supplied to a professional user holding certification demonstrating compliance with UK rodenticide stewardship regime requirements.

Wash hands and exposed skin before meals and after use. Keep locked up and out of the reach of children. The product may be applied by professional users only when appropriate chemical resistant gloves (EN 374) are used. Baits must be securely deposited in a way so as to minimize the risk of consumption by other animals or children. Where possible, secure baits so that they cannot be dragged away.

Prevent access to bait by children, birds and non-target animals (particularly dogs, cats, pigs and poultry). Unless under the supervision of a pest control operator or other competent person, do not use anticoagulant rodenticides as permanent baits. In most cases, anticoagulant bait should have achieved control within 35 days. Should activity continue beyond this time, the likely cause should be determined.

Search for and remove dead rodents at frequent intervals during treatment, at least as often as when baits are checked and/or replenished. Daily inspection may be required in some circumstances. Dispose of dead rodents in accordance with local requirements. Poisoned rodents may be disposed of by the waste producer at an incinerator or landfill permitted to accept that type of waste, or collected by a registered waste carrier and taken for disposal at a suitably permitted site. In the UK for further information on disposal contact the Environment Agency (<http://www.environmentagency.gov.uk>) or SEPA (<http://www.sepa.org.uk>).

For products to be used in public areas the following safety precaution shall be carried on the label, packaging or accompanying leaflet:

- When the product is being used in public areas, the areas treated must be marked during the treatment period and a notice explaining the risk of primary or secondary poisoning by the anticoagulant as well as indicating the first measures to be taken in case of poisoning must be made available alongside the baits.
- When tamper resistant bait stations are used, they should be clearly marked to show that they contain rodenticides and that they should not be disturbed.

Antidote vitamin K1 (under medical supervision). UK medical professionals should contact the National Poisons Information Service (www.npis.org) for further advice.

Precautionary statements:

Keep out of reach of children.

Read label before use.

Keep /store away from food, drink and animal feedingstuffs.

Do not get on skin.

Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.

Avoid release to the environment.

Wear protective gloves

IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a poison centre or doctor/physician.

Store locked up in a closed container.

Dispose of contents/container in accordance with national regulations.

Particulars of likely direct or indirect effects, first aid instructions and emergency measures to protect the environment.

Brodifacoum is an anticoagulant which may produce bleeding; this may be delayed for several days after exposure. If there is no active bleeding the INR (prothrombin time) should be measured on presentation and 48-72 hours after exposure. If the INR is greater than 4, administer Vitamin K1 (phytomenadione) 5-10 mg by slow intravenous injection (100 IJg/kg body weight for a child).

Treatment with phytomenadione (orally or intravenously) may be required for several weeks. [In the UK] The advice of the National Poisons Information Service (<http://www.npis.org/>) should be sought, particularly if active bleeding occurs.

In case of accident, or if you feel unwell, seek medical advice immediately (show the label where possible). **In case of contact with skin**, wash with soap and water.

Remove and launder any contaminated clothing.

In case of contact with eyes, remove contact lenses if present and rinse the eye slowly and gently with water for 15-20 minutes. Seek medical advice immediately.

In case of ingestion or if swallowed seek medical advice immediately.

Instruction for safe disposal of the product and its packaging:

Remove all baits after treatment and dispose of them in accordance with local requirements. Dead rodents and bait found outside bait stations should be disposed of using protective gloves. In the UK for information on disposal contact the Environment Agency (<http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk>) or SEPA (<http://www.sepa.org.uk>).

Conditions of storage:

Store away from light.

Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated place.

Keep only in original container.

A shelf life of up to 2 years is supported.

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