

EPA REGION 9—INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT FOR SCHOOLS CONTRACT

RODENT CONTROL—PROCUREMENT LANGUAGE

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PRODUCT-SPECIFIC LANGUAGE

Rodent Control

Snap traps and trapping devices (including glueboards) used in rodent control must be checked daily. The Contractor shall dispose of rodents killed or trapped within 24 hours. Trapping shall not be performed during periods when maintenance will be delayed by holidays, weekends, etc. Traps shall be placed out of the general view and located so as not to be affected by routine cleaning procedures.

All rodenticides, regardless of packaging, shall be placed either in locations not accessible to children, pets, wildlife, and domestic animals, or in EPA-approved tamper-resistant (often termed “tamper-proof”) bait boxes. Frequency of bait box servicing shall depend upon the level of rodent infestation. All bait boxes shall be labeled, and dated at the time of installation and each servicing. All bait boxes shall be maintained in accordance with EPA regulations, with an emphasis on the safety of non-target organisms. The following points shall be strictly adhered to:

- The lids of all bait boxes must be securely locked or fastened shut.
- Bait must always be placed in the baffle-protected feeding chamber of the box and never in the runway of the box. Bait may be placed inside an active rodent burrow if the burrow entrance (and the bait) is then buried or caved-in to avoid non-target access to the bait.
- All bait boxes must be securely attached or anchored to the floor, ground, wall, etc., so that the box cannot be picked up or moved.
- Baits, bait boxes, and stations should only be considered as a last option for use inside buildings or school structures. All traps, trapping devices, and bait boxes shall be accounted for, and their location recorded in the property Log Book; all shall be removed from the premises covered by this contract at its conclusion.

