



Rat-Proofing Checklist for Residential Areas

<i>Exterior Evaluation</i>	Yes	No
Trash areas clean and garbage stored in cans with lids	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wood and building materials stacked 18 inches off ground and away from the foundation to prevent rodent habitation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Foundation areas free of clutter/trash that might attract rodents	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dog droppings removed from yard frequently	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bird feeders maintained to prevent spillage of seed or food	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pet food stored indoors in sealed rodent-proof containers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
No ground feeding (bread, nuts, corn, etc.) of wild animals	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Grass is cut and bushes trimmed	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Composting properly (no dairy, meat or fat)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fallen fruits and vegetables (from trees and gardens) are promptly removed	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Water sources eliminated (turn over buckets, empty birdbaths, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Eliminate nesting materials (store lawn chair cushions and other fabrics in rodent-proof containers when not in use)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

<i>Signs of Infestation</i>	Yes	No
Burrow holes in yard or next to buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Paths worn in grass or mulch	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rodent droppings seen	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gnaw marks	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Greasy rub marks along runs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>