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## FACT SHEET – House Mice

# If you are experiencing problems with Mice it is important to undertake the following measures.

#### Proofing

It is important to check for places mice are getting in and take action to stop them -

• Fit bristle strips to the base of exterior doors if there is a gap beneath.

• Fill holes and gaps through walls, especially around pipes.

Tips – fill both sides of cavity and partition walls.

– push wire wool into the holes first and finish with mastic or filler.

• Check floors for holes and large gaps under skirting boards. Seal with wire wool, mastic,

filler or sheet material cut to shape.

### Hygiene

Do all you can to remove sources of food for the mice, they will be more likely to feed on any poison you put down.

• Clear up after every meal and don't leave any food lying around, especially overnight.

• Keep waste in a bin with a lid.

• Clean kitchen floors regularly and vacuum carpets thoroughly.

*Tip* – don't forget to move kitchen equipment and lounge furniture and clean beneath.

- Clean and remove pet food bowls after feeding.
- Wipe work surfaces with disinfectant before preparing food.

• Remove mouse droppings whenever they are found. As well as improving hygiene this will help to tell where mice may still be active.

#### Housekeeping

• Keep food in wall cupboards rather than base units.

• Use jars or sealed containers for packaged or loose food.

• Tidy up cupboards and check areas where items have been stored for a long time as these can be favourite places for mice to nest.

Please contact IPM Ltd on **01992 763 776** should you wish to arrange a chargeable treatment to your property.



