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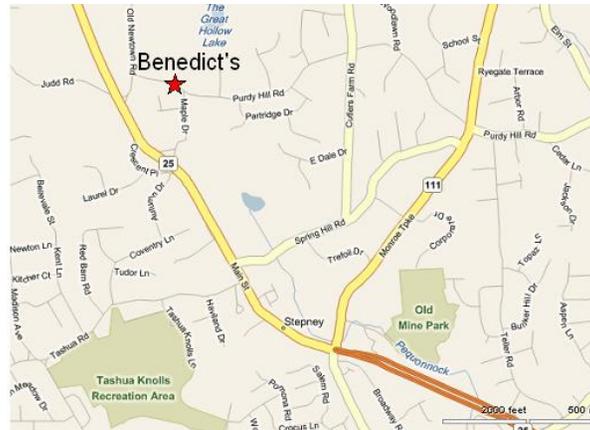
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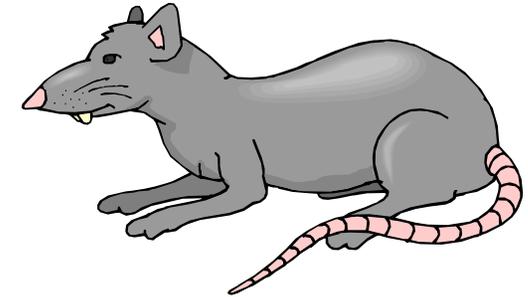
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## Controlling Rodents



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Brands you trust. People who know.



Mickey Mouse. Jerry from Tom & Jerry. Stewart Little. Desperaux. These are some examples of what the media portrays mice and rats as. However, rodents are actually disgusting, pesky creatures. They invade your homes and eat your food, leaving nothing but scratching from within walls and their droppings as presents behind.

Dealing with rodents is a serious problem. There are many products that claim to be the be-all, end-all of rodent poisons or traps. However, there are many concerns that come with purchasing these products. Will they harm my pets or children? Will they contaminate my food or water? And what about the smell of the dead rodents?

### What can I do?

At Benedict's, we sell a number of different brands of rat poisons and traps; d-Con, Just One Bite, Havoc, Tomcat, Jaguar, and Rampage. Each brand comes in various forms; pellets, wax blocks, and traps of various types. However, most share one of two active ingredients; bromadiolone (Just One Bite, Tomcat) or brodifacoum (d-Con, Havoc, Jaguar).

Both of these poisons act as anticoagulants; that is, they prevent blood from clotting, making it impossible to stop wounds from bleeding. They then also make the rat or mouse hemorrhage, causing unstoppable internal bleeding, eventually killing them.

The other product, Rampage, uses an ingredient called bromethalin, which acts on the nervous system of the rat to increase pressure in the brain, eventually causing it to hemorrhage, killing them.

### So which one should I choose?

The biggest difference between these two types of killers is that the anticoagulant (bromadiolone and brodifacoum) remains in the blood of the rodents after its death, making it possible for pets to be harmed by it if they find the body of the rodents and ingest, lick, or simply pick up the body in their mouth. However, bromethalin, which affects the nervous system of the rodent, will not harm your pet if it finds the body of the rodent.



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