



Public Health
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Holbrook Board of Health

TIP OF THE MONTH

Learn some in-the-know tips to keep you, your family, and your home safe!



AUGUST TOPIC:
Rats and Pests



PESTS CAN INCLUDE RATS, MICE, COCKROACHES, ANTS, AND

SQUIRRELS



RATS TYPICALLY LIVE FOR 1 YEAR. THEY CAN HAVE 6-12 "PUPS" 7X A YEAR



UP TO 84 BABIES A YEAR!



RODENTS REPRODUCE QUICKLY AND INFESTATIONS CAN ESCALATE RAPIDLY, PREVENTING AND REMOVING THEM IS ESSENTIAL TO PROTECT BOTH HEALTH AND PROPERTY



PEST CONTROL CAN MAINTAIN THE INTEGRITY OF YOUR HOME AND HELP KEEP YOU HEALTHY

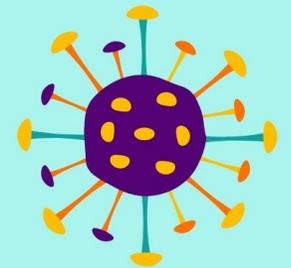


TO KEEP PESTS OUT FOLLOW THESE SUGGESTIONS

THE DEBRIS PESTS LEAVE BEHIND CAN CAUSE COMPLICATIONS WITH ASTHMA, AND OTHER ILLNESSES



DISEASES CAN SPREAD THROUGH RODENT DROPPINGS URINE, AND SALIVA,



REMOVE RODENTS AND PEST FROM YOUR DWELLING

**REMOVE FOOD AND WATER SOURCES
THAT CAN ATTRACT PESTS**



**A RODENT CAN LIVE ON LESS THAN 1
TABLESPOON OF FOOD DAILY**



**CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR
PET! RODENTS HAVE
BEEN KNOWN TO
SURVIVE OFF OF PET
WASTE**



FIX LEAKS

SEAL SMALL CREVICES



**ABANDONED VEHICLES AND DEBRIS
CAN BE GOOD HIDING PLACES FOR RODENTS**



REMOVE TRASH REGULARLY



**USE RODENT PROOF FOOD STORAGE
RATS CAN GNAW THROUGH
PLASTIC AND BRICK!**

**OPEN ANIMAL FEED, BIRD
FEEDERS AND OTHER GRAINS
CAN ATTRACT RODENTS**



**IF YOU ARE STILL NOTICING SIGNS OF RODENT
ACTIVITY AFTER FOLLOWING THESE TIPS, IT
MAY BE TIME TO CONSULT WITH A LICENSED
EXTERMINATOR.**



**A GOOD EXTERMINATOR WILL BE
LICENSED AND PROVIDE THE
CUSTOMER WITH A DETAILED
REPORT, BASED ON YOUR NEEDS,
PRIOR TO STARTING WORK**



**HELP US KEEP HOLBROOK SAFE!
EVICT THE RATS!
KEEP PESTS AWAY!**



**THE DEPARTMENT TRACKS RAT SIGHTINGS
IF YOU SPOT A RAT PLEASE CONTACT US
AND LET US KNOW THE LOCATION.**

QUESTIONS?

**CONTACT THE HOLBROOK
HEALTH DEPARTMENT AT**

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