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Tasmania

Mouse and Rat Poison - Risks to Wildlife

Modern fast-acting mouse and rat poisons are killing our birds of prey, devils and quolls! Your choice makes a difference.

Poison risks for Wildlife

Owls, hawks and eagles play a key role in controlling rats and mice in natural, farming and urban situations.

Modern mouse, rat and rabbit poisons are often marketed as 'one feed' or 'single shot' products and are extremely potent. Birds and other predators eating dead or sick rodents are dying in large numbers as a result.

Older style first generation poisons have less impact, so can be a better choice if poisons are needed.



Positive choices you can make

- If you need to use poisons, choose Gen 1 products with active ingredients **Warfarin**, **Coumatetralyl** or **Sodium Chloride (NaCl)**. Label on packet says "CAUTION"
- Avoid Gen 2 or 'one-feed' products with **Brodifacoum** or **Bromadiolone**. Label on packet says "POISON". Choose "CAUTION" over "POISON"
- Manual traps can be highly effective when numbers are low.
- Use physical barriers so rodents can't get in to feed or breed.
- Educate others. Poisons are used everywhere from houses and farms, to shops, schools, supermarkets and public buildings.



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