

FACT SHEET - RATS

Latin Name

Rattus Rattus or Rattus Norvegious

Description

Rattus Rattus – roof eater, smaller than its cousin with pointed nose, prominent ears and a tail longer than its body.

Rattus Norvegious – Norway rat – chubby with a blunt nose, small ears and tail shorter than its body

Habits

Both species share similar living requirements outdoors or indoors. They will eat almost anything, much more wary than mice. Will gnaw to wear their incisor (front) teeth so as to cause damage to electrical cabling and have been the culprit in many house res.

Control Methods

Baits or traps - sometimes difficult due to their propensity for caution.

