# RURAL PACK

# User guide and instructions

Hi, and welcome to the Envirotools Rural Pack. This contains our complete system of traps and instructions to help you ensure a happy, healthy and pest free environment.

If you need further information please visit our website, which includes comprehensive videos and tips.

We hope you enjoy using this trapping system as much as we do.

100% New Zealand made using only stainless steel, timber and quality recyclable polymers. This allows for simple 'end of life' recycling. Our traps are designed, engineered and manufactured in New Zealand - say no more, and we offer a 5-year warranty.



# **Contents**



1 x RAT HATCH



6 x D-RAT



2 x FLIPPING TIMMY



**1 x TERRA DON** 



**1 x BAIT SAMPLE** 

# Envirotools rural trapping system - let's get started

### Rathatch: Multi-rodent ceiling trap

Warning Your Rat hatch is a very effective

tool - you may be amazed by how many unwanted

house guests you have up there! The red indicator lets you know when it's caught so the trap can

quickly be cleared and reset. This can be done safely

and hygienically - without touching the catch. This

simple trap system requires no more climbing up ladders and keeps your home free from toxins and

The favourite and safest place for urban rodents is in our roof spaces. This warm and cosy environment is ideal for quarding against competing intruders, safe from predators and close to food and water. Perfect for raising a large family!

The Rat Hatch is our easy to install solution to catch and remove rodents from your roof space. Simply follow the instructions or video to install. It isn't critical where you put it, the rodents will find it - your roof access hatch or even outside in the soffit are perfect locations.

Use the installation instructions provided or go online to see install videos.





### **D-Rat:** Multi-rodent trap

The D-Rat is an effective, humane and user-friendly trap. The external safety set lever provides a simple, safe, hands clear operation for all age groups and abilities. A very versatile trap that can be used in many different situations. It can simply be placed around your home, but is also designed to handle all our outdoor conditions.

### D-Rat Around the house and buildings

Remember to leave a few D-Rats for around the house.

The D-rats provide a safeguard against your house too. Place them in the hot spots where they are likely to come from, for example; trees that may offer passage into your house or along walls or paths that offer them cover that lead to your

### D-Rat in bush

When tree mounting place the D-Rat traps roughly 20 meters apart. The rodents feel most comfortable in thin tangled branches with dense canopy, these are the escape routes where bigger predators can't pursue. We recommend mounting your trap at shoulder height on a vertical stem or branch to make them easy to see, clear and rebait.

### It comes with three mounting options:



### Releasable cable

tie: Intended for tree mounting. Feed the cable tie through the slot beneath the trap base where marked and secure to vour selected tree. Ensure trap is vertical or

slightly reclined. Small branched trees with nearby cover catch best. This is where the rodent feels the most comfortable and will retreat to, to eat or escape



**Clip on mount:** This versatile mount allows your trap to be held securely but be easily removed. Ideal for use on shed studs, larger trees and fences.



**Direct mount:** Using the supplied screws and the two mounting hole features in the trap base you can directly mount your trap a wooden

Don't underestimate a rodent's ability to climb. Vertical walls are no problem. They can even climb a taught length of fishing line - so almost anything is possible and nothing is safe from them!

surface.

See overleaf for further instructions...



## Flipping Timmy: Possum trap

Concentrate on removing possums first from your trapping area,

so that they don't interfere with your rodent traps. They like peanut

Our safe and easy to operate versatile possum trap. We recommend you set them at a comfortable height on trees or posts, approximately one metre off the ground. Possums are very inquisitive animals so make sure your traps are highly visible and placed along trails or paths - the

The best place for rats

in the wild are the three 'R's':

rivers (streams), roads (tracks)

unwanted odors.

and ridges.

sight of the trap will draw them in. They are exceptional climbers, so a straight, clear vertical trunk works well. They also have no predators and their sense of smell is less developed, so ensure your bait is strongly scented.

Visit our website for more tips, baiting instructions and videos.

> Use your Terra Don to remove any remaining fur from your catch off the trap as it puts off the same species and wipe the 'beak' clean on some grass afterwards!

Our multi-tool comes in red and

when you move its jaws!

looks like a pterodactyl - especially

Interactive and extremely handy it

is designed for clearing out your

catch and old bait. Ideal for the

Doc 150/200/250 series of traps.

**Terra Don** 

### **Bait sample**

Some crunchy peanut butter to get you started. We recommend crunchy thick peanut butter. The rodents love it and it gets waxy over time - this makes rebaiting and keeping your trap clean and enticing easy.

To refresh your bait add a couple of drops of vanilla essence and mix in thoroughly. Warning: If your Peanut butter sammie tastes of vanilla.....!





# **BAITING AND INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS**

# FOR YOUR RURAL TRAPPING SYSTEM



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# **RAT HATCH INSTALLATION**

Your RATHATCH can be installed anywhere in your ceiling, but choose an area where you can easily and regulary see the trap indicator. A roof access hatch, internal gargage or outside in your roof soffit are all ideal places to install RATHATCH. Check that the roof space is clear of timber, plumbing or electrical wires.

If you are installing into a soft roof like

ceiling tile or plasterboard. Carefully

cut out the hole using a sharp knife

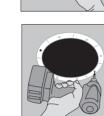
or keyhole saw then fold the retaining

washer and insert it into the roof space



#### STEP 1

Using the clear plastic retaining washer as your template, trace around the inside ring onto the space where you are installing **RATHATCH.** 



### STEP 2

Use a drill bit to drill a hole inside the traced circle. It needs to be large enough so you can insert a jigsaw blade into it. Alternatively use a drywall cut out tool as per our install video



### STEP 3

Insert a jig-saw into the hole and carefully cut out the circle to the traced line. Remove disk carefully.



## STEP 5

STEP 4

Place the mounting ring into the hole ensuring the alignment lines are parallel to a wall. Using the fasteners supplied screw the mounting ring up into the ceiling. If using the plastic retaining washer, align the corresponding hole and screw fasten. Repeat on the opposite side then complete the rest of the screws.



#### STEP 6

Bait and set the trap to the mouse or rat setting (see below), then insert into cavity and twist to lock it into position. If the roof is high, use the standard broom handel attachment to easily insert and twist into a locked position.

# **D-RAT**

- 1. Use a crunchy and thick peanut butter.
- 2. Fill the cup two-thirds full, a little showing on the rim is ideal as a visual cue.



To refresh your bait supplies.

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# **RAT HATCH**

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3. For a new set add a little bait on the hatch rim, as shown. This helps to overcome the rodents instinctive wariness of an unfamiliar object in their environment. Once your trap has been visited this is no longer required.



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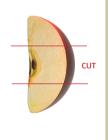
in thoroughly.



1. For best results use an apple with good scent, when using small apples cut into 1/4s, for large apples use 1/8ths. Then cut the apple segment into three pieces as shown. Use the center piece on the trigger bar, one end piece at the base of the tree, the other end wedged under the front of trap.

such as an icing sugar and flour blaze.

Apply this as shown beneath the trap.





2. Skewer the apple on the trigger pin, skin side first. This ensures the possum gets a good purchase with its large bottom incisor teeth.

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