

Method Statement

Task/Activity	Cleaning up after visitation of vermin	
Next Review Date	01.08.2026	
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Site	Fulham Road, Fulham, London	
Site Manager	Grant Lewis	
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Scope of Works

The methods to be used when cleaning up after visitation of vermin

Background / Training Required

Competent in the safe working practices when cleaning up after visitation of vermin

Safety Equipment and PPE required

Hi visibility BS EN 471:2003 +A1:2007 High visibility clothing		Gloves BS EN 420:2003+A1:2009 general protective gloves	
Protective clothing Type 5 (BS EN ISO 13982-1+A1)		Safety footwear BS EN ISO 20346:2014 Safety footwear	
Eye protection BS EN 166:2002 Personal Eye Protection		Face mask BS EN 149- Disposable half mask respirators	

Tools and Equipment Required

Cleaning equipment		Cleaning signage	
Clinical waste bag(s)			

Method of Works/Safe System of Works	Risks/Hazards/ Controls/Notes
1. Collect all equipment and materials required for task. 2. Check PPE for damages or faults, replace if required. 3. Carry out a visual pre-use check of the equipment used to carry out the task. 4. Put on personal protective equipment as listed above. 5. Check COSHH assessments and SDS to ensure correct and safe use of chemicals used. 6. Move to location of clean. 7. Place warning signage to warn others that cleaning is taking place and there are hazards in the area. 8. Using a brush and dustpan sweep up mice/ rat droppings and place in clinical waste bag. 9. Disinfect the contaminated area; ensure that all surfaces affected are covered. 10. Once all areas have been disinfected, remove PPE and dispose of in clinical waste bag and secure. 11. Ensure removal of PPE is done correctly and contamination is prevented. 12. Remove all equipment from area. 13. Remove signage, if surfaces are dry. 14. There may be a requirement to disinfect equipment used. Ensure a thorough disinfection. 15. Dispose of PPE as clinical waste. 16. Thoroughly wash hands with plenty of soap and water. Note: Should any operative start to feel unwell during or after completion of this task, the Site Manager / Supervisor must be informed as soon as possible so that the appropriate actions can be taken. There may be a requirement for immediate medical attention. On completion of task, operatives must ensure that they thoroughly wash their hands with plenty of soap and water regardless of whether gloves have been worn.	1. This task is NOT to be carried out until vermin has been removed from location by specialist team (pest control). 2. It is of major importance that all operatives are fully trained and briefed in the tasks that they are expected to carry out and informed about any specific risks to health. 3. COSHH and SDS are up to date. 4. Cleaning operatives to work under direction of Supervisor. 5. Operatives carrying out this task to be supplied with suitable PPE. Disposable gloves, face masks and coveralls will be needed, as well as safety shoes. 6. Warning signage to be placed to warn others that cleaning is taking place. 7. Mouse/ rat droppings to be contained in clinical yellow waste bag and disposed of accordingly. 8. Area to be thoroughly disinfected after cleaning and removal has taken place. 9. All PPE used in task disposed of as clinical waste in line with client procedures. 10. Operatives to demonstrate high levels of personal hygiene at all times. 11. Strictly no eating, drinking or smoking in or around the vicinity.

Environmental Impacts	Ensure that all waste is disposed of in accordance with the site procedures
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	Ensure that the COSHH Assessments and MSDS are followed for all chemical use
Emergency Arrangements	If the task includes any periods of Lone Working, follow the ABM Lone Working Procedure First aid available from the security team. 2-way radio provided to staff while at work.