

# ANTICOAGULANT RODENTICIDES AND PETS

**Veterinarians across Massachusetts are seeing a troubling rise in rodenticide poisoning in dogs and cats.**



## Unintended Victims

Dogs, cats, and wildlife can be seriously poisoned either by directly ingesting bait left in accessible areas or by consuming contaminated rodents, putting many animals at great risk.

## Toxic Consequences

Exposure to anticoagulant rodenticides can cause severe internal bleeding, respiratory distress, coma, or even death. Pets that survive often face long, difficult recoveries—and heartbreaking veterinary bills.



## Alternatives to rodent poison

Safe, non-toxic rodent control options include snap traps, live traps, and electronic traps. Ultrasonic devices and natural repellents like peppermint oil can help, too. Sealing entry points and encouraging predators like cats also reduce rodents safely.

**Protect our pets. Protect our wildlife. Restrict anticoagulant rodenticides in Massachusetts—before more lives are lost.**

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