

CHAPTER 37
RODENT CONTROL

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37101. Obligation of Owner, Lessee of Occupied Building.

Every owner, lessee or occupant of an occupied building wherever located, shall comply with the following:

(a) Whenever a building is infested or becomes infested with rodents, adequate measures shall be taken in good faith to endeavor to eradicate such rodents by poisoning, trapping, fumigation and other appropriate means.

(b) All occupied buildings and the property upon which the building is located shall be kept free from foodstuffs, garbage, forage and other material which may serve as food or as harborage for rodents.

(c) No rubbish, garbage, waste or filth of any kind shall be placed, left, dumped or permitted to accumulate or remain in any building or in the vicinity thereof, including any area between the property line and the road in such a way as to afford a harborage or breeding place for rodents. All weeds and grass in the vicinity of any building, including any area between the property line and the road, shall be maintained so as to avoid harborage or breeding places for rodents. In rural areas, the duty imposed by this Subsection does not extend beyond the property line.

(d) Firewood, scrap and other loose materials stored on the premises or under buildings shall be piled in an orderly manner at least eighteen (18) inches off the ground so as not to afford a harborage for rodents.

SOURCE: GC § 9670.

§ 37102. Obligation of Owner or Lessee of Unoccupied Building or Vacant Lot.

Every owner or lessee of an unoccupied building or of any vacant lot located in residential, commercial or industrial zones or areas, shall keep such building and ground, or such vacant lot including any area between the property line and the road, in a sanitary condition, free from all rubbish, garbage, waste and filth of any kind. All weeds and grass on such premises, including any area between the property line and the road, shall be maintained so as to avoid harborage or breeding places for rodents.

SOURCE: GC § 9670.1.

§ 37103. Docks and Wharves.

All public and private docks and wharves shall be so constructed and protected as to prevent rodents from gaining access thereto or thereunder at either high or low tide. All foodstuff stored on such docks and wharves shall be so kept and stored as to prevent rodents from gaining access thereto or coming in contact therewith.

SOURCE: GC § 9670.2.

§ 37104. Plague and International Quarantine.

The Director shall take any action necessary to prevent the introduction to Guam of plague infected rodents, and shall enforce the international quarantine regulations relative to the control of rodents at the commercial port, airport and for all vessels and other water craft arriving on Guam.

SOURCE: GC § 9670.3.

§ 37105. Rodent Bait and Complaints.

The Vector Control Program of the Department shall prepare and make available to the public at nominal cost, a safe and effective rodent bait along with written instructions on its use. This Section of the Department shall investigate rodent complaints and offer the property owner or lessee information and advice on rodent control.

SOURCE: GC § 9670.4.

§ 37106. Rules and Regulations.

The Director may establish such rules and regulations relative to the maintenance of rodent harborage and rodent breeding areas as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Chapter.

SOURCE: GC § 9670.5.

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