## Help avoid infestations of rats in your garden and property by:

**DON'T** - overflow bins so lids can't close or leave bags of rubbish on the floor



DON'T - leave piles of mattresses or furniture in your garden or in the street

**Please** report fly-tipping to the Council at www.coventry.gov.uk/flytipping



**DON'T** - feed birds excessively or leave food on the ground



**DON'T** - allow gardens to become overgrown

Also, be aware compost bins can attract rats to your garden!



For further information visit: www.coventry.gov.uk/pestcontrol



Pest Control Advice

# **Dealing** with rats

Advice for avoiding and removing rats in gardens and households



Please take note of the following things **not to do**, to help stop the causes of rat infestations in your property and local area.

Rats are attracted to the smells of rubbish and food waste. They will use overgrown gardens or furniture for shelter. If you cannot fit all your rubbish in a bin, take excess waste to the Council's Recycling and Refuse Centre on London Road (the tip).

To book this service, visit: www.coventry.gov.uk/rubbish-recycling

### **Rats carry diseases**

### Rats invade gardens including:

- Sheds and garages
- Underneath decking
- Compost heaps



# How you can help keep rats out of your garden:

#### **Buy a Self-Treatment Kit**

Self-treatment means you will **not need** to wait for an appointment with a pest controller.

Instead, we deliver a 'Self-Treatment Kit' to your door within **2-3 days** of your call for you to manage the infestation yourself. You will need to load the traps with food (such as peanut butter or chocolate spread) and be prepared to remove and dispose of any rats you catch.

However, before purchasing a kit, we recommend viewing the instructional videos on our website to see how the traps work. Please follow this link - www. coventry.gov.uk/pest-control/pest-controlcoventry-domestic-customers/4

### To order a Self-Treatment Kit, please call us on 024 7683 2658.

The costs(\*) for this service are as follows:

£15.00 for a pack containing two traps £25.00 for a pack containing four traps

\* Please note the costs are correct at time of going to print 1 November 2022.

