



## **RATACUM PASTE 5 Kg for professionals**

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**Category: Biocide**

Ready-to-use rodenticide bait in fresh paste PROFESSIONAL USE USER CATEGORY: PROFESSIONALS AREA OF USE: INDOORS AND AROUND BUILDINGS

**Italian Ministry of Health Registration:**

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### **Description:**

RATACUM FRESH PASTE is a ready-to-use rodenticidal bait based on an anticoagulant active substance, called Difenacoum, effective against house mice (*Mus musculus*), common rats (*Rattus norvegicus*) and black rats (*Rattus rattus*), even after a single ingestion. The formulation consists of a fresh paste that is palatable to the indicated rodent species. The product does not alert or arouse suspicion in other rodent populations. RATACUM FRESH PASTE contains a bitter substance to prevent accidental ingestion by children. RATACUM FRESH PASTE can be used in and around industrial buildings (including warehouses, stores, ship holds), rural, civil, residential, cellars, garages, storage rooms, gardens and outdoor areas.

### **Method of use:**

#### **DOSES AND METHODS OF USE**

For use indoors: for the control of house mice (*Mus musculus*).

Place 40 g of RATACUM FRESH PASTE per container, corresponding to 2 baits in ready-to-use fresh paste of 20 g each or corresponding to 4 baits in ready-to-use fresh paste of 10 g each.

If more than one container is needed, place them at a distance of about 5-10 metres from each other and at least 5 metres apart.

The containers should be inspected every 2-3 days at the start of treatment and at least weekly thereafter. This is done in order to check the integrity of the containers, the consumption of the bait and, if necessary, to remove rodent carcasses.

Replenish with bait when necessary.

Follow any further instructions as required by relevant good practice.

For use indoors: for the control of common rats (*Rattus norvegicus*) and black rats (*Rattus rattus*):

Place 60-100 g of RATACUM FRESH PASTE per container, corresponding to 3-5 baits in ready-to-use fresh paste of 20 g each or corresponding to 6-10 baits in ready-to-use fresh paste of 10 g each.

If more than one container is needed, place them at a distance of about 5-10 metres from each other and at least 5 metres apart.

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The containers should be inspected every 5-7 days at the beginning of the treatment and at least weekly thereafter. This is done in order to check the integrity of the containers, the consumption of the bait and, if necessary, to remove rodent carcasses. Replenish with bait when necessary.

Follow any further instructions as required by relevant good practice.

Outdoor use, around buildings. For the control of house mice (*Mus musculus*).

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If more than one container is needed, place them at a distance of about 5-10 metres from each other and at least 5 metres apart.

Protect the bait from weather (e.g. rain, snow, etc.). Place the bait containers in areas not prone to flooding.

Bait containers should be checked at least every 2-3 days at the start of treatment and at least weekly thereafter, in order to check if the bait is accepted, the containers are intact and to remove rodent carcasses. Refill the container when necessary.

Do not apply directly in rodents' nests.

Replace baits in containers if damaged by water or contaminated by dirt.

Follow any further instructions as required by relevant good practice.

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**Warnings:**

Before use, read and follow the instructions on the product packaging as well as the information accompanying the product or provided at the point of sale. Prior to positioning the bait, check the infested area and carry out an on-site assessment to identify rodent species, locations of activity and determine the probable cause and extent of infestation.

Remove food sources within easy reach of rodents (e.g. spilled grain or food waste).

Moreover, do not clean up the infested area just prior to treatment, as this will only disturb the rodent population and make it more difficult to gain acceptance of the bait.

The product must only be used as part of an integrated pest management (IPM) system, which includes, *inter alia*, hygiene measures and, where possible, physical control methods.

Consider preventive control measures to encourage uptake and reduce the likelihood of re-infestation (e.g. blocking possible openings, removing potential food and water sources as much as possible). Bait containers must be placed in the immediate vicinity of places where rodent activity has been previously verified (e.g. walkways, nests, livestock entrance fences, openings, burrows, etc.).

Where possible, secure bait containers to the ground or other structures.

Bait containers should be clearly labelled indicating that they contain rodenticides and must not be removed or opened.

When the product is used in public areas, the treated areas must be marked during the treatment period. A warning must be displayed alongside the baits indicating the risk of primary and secondary anticoagulant poisoning and the first aid measures to be taken in the event of poisoning.

The bait should be secured so that it cannot be dragged out of the bait container.

Place the product out of reach of children, birds, pets, farm animals and other non-target animals.

Place product away from food, drink and animal feed as well as utensils or surfaces that may come into contact with the product.

Wear chemical-resistant protective gloves when handling the product. ne

Do not eat, drink or smoke when using the product. Wash hands and exposed skin directly after using the product.

The frequency of visits to the treated area should be at the discretion of the operator, in the light of the investigation conducted at the start of treatment. This frequency should be consistent with the recommendations of the relevant code of practice.

If bait consumption is low in relation to the evidential extent of the infestation, consider repositioning bait points in other locations and changing bait formulation type.

If, after a treatment period of 35 days, baits are still being consumed and no decrease in rodent activity is observed, the most likely cause must be determined. If other elements have already been excluded, resistant rodents are likely to be present, so consider using a non-anticoagulant rodenticide or a more effective anticoagulant rodenticide where available. Consider the use of traps as an alternative control measure.

At the end of the treatment period, remove any remaining bait or bait containers. Do not open the bait bags.

Dangerous for wildlife.

**Unit of sales:**

5 kg bucket

**Notes:**

Use biocides with caution. Always read the label and product information before use.

Attention is drawn to the hazard warnings and symbols on the label.

The text in the specifications corresponds to the label approved by the Ministry of Health.