

## HOW TO CONTROL RODENTS EFFECTIVELY USING BAIT STATIONS

An effective method to control predators, is to 'Pulse' - control at intervals - **FOUR TIMES** a year.

- We recommend you use the pulse method with bait stations (Method outlined in the table below).
- Pulse in **February, April, August and November** – these months match the availability of resources and breeding times for both rats and native bird life.
- Baiting pulses **last 4 weeks** in total, the first pulse uses CONTRAC, the last three use DITRAC
- Pulsing is more resource effective, targeted, easier on volunteers and residents, reduces the risk of 'shy' rats and reduces the risk of secondary poisoning to other animals.
- Pulsing avoids bait becoming old and non-effective. Old bait will not kill a rat, and it will become bait shy and you will have to use a mechanical trap instead to kill it.

## YOUR BAIT STATION AND BAIT

You pulse with two kinds of poison bait;

**CONTRAC** - single feed, dark blue Bromadiolone bait

**DITRAC** - multi-feed, light green Diphacinone bait

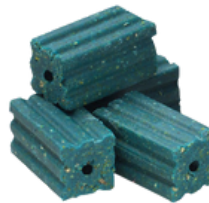
We recommend a first pulse with CONTRAC, followed by three DITRAC pulses.

An Ambush bait station holds down and secures four bait blocks inside a lockable station - keeping the bait inaccessible to children, pets and other non-target creatures. Never simply leave bait blocks in a roof space or dish somewhere.

**BAIT STATION**  
e.g. **AMBUSH**



**CONTRAC**



**DITRAC**



Month	August	November	February	April
Bait Type	<b>CONTRAC</b>	<b>DITRAC</b>	<b>DITRAC</b>	<b>DITRAC</b>
Start - Fill Station	Day 1 _____	Day 1 _____	Day 1 _____	Day 1 _____
Check and Replenish Bait (discard blocks more than half eaten)	Day 5 _____ Day 14 _____	Day 3 _____ Day 5 _____ Day 14 _____ Day 17 _____ (Optional)	Day 3 _____ Day 5 _____ Day 14 _____ Day 17 _____ (Optional)	Day 3 _____ Day 5 _____ Day 14 _____ Day 17 _____ (Optional)
Empty Station, Dispose of Bait	Day 28 _____	Day 28 _____	Day 28 _____	Day 28 _____

## TIPS AND TRICKS

### Bait Freshness:

- When checking and refilling bait, any loose, largely eaten or moldy bait should be replaced with a new block. On the last day of the pulse, all bait should be removed from the station.

### Location of Bait Station:

- Place traps and stations along ridges, stream banks, coastal edges and within backyards – along fence lines and areas where there is security for a rodent (i.e near a garden shed) or pile of debris. Do NOT place inside a dwelling.

### Health and Safety:

- Make sure bait is securely locked away in a closable container made of heavy duty plastic.
- Use gloves when handling bait or touching your bait station. Keep track of and secure bait at all times.



## BAIT TYPE IN TRAP.NZ MOBILE APP

We recommend you set up Bait Type using the Trap.NZ mobile app using these instructions:

After adding a bait station, set up your two bait types. You will only need to do this **once for CONTRAC** and **once for DITRAC** blocks.

1. Tap the bait station on the map.
2. If this the first time adding, tap 'Add Bait Type', otherwise tap the cog next to "Bait Type\*" then select "Add",
3. Fill in the details show for *CONTRAC*.
4. Repeat above steps for *DITRAC*.

### CONTRAC

Name * ?	Contrac
Formulation *	Block
Toxin *	Bromadiolone
Toxin % * ?	0.005
Max fill ?	112
Unit weight ?	28

### DITRAC

Name * ?	Ditrac
Formulation *	Block
Toxin *	Diphacinone
Toxin % * ?	0.005
Max fill ?	112
Unit weight ?	28

After adding bait types, you can do your first run of adding bait to your station. On your first visit you will add four blocks of bait. Each bait block is 28 grams, so drag the '**Bait added**' slider up to 112 grams (four blocks).

#### First Visit at Start of Pulse

### Subsequent visits

The second visit, and every visit after that, use the sliders to state how much bait is '**Remaining**', you '**Removed**' (i.e a 1/4 block discarded), and how much you have '**Added**' back into the station.

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