

COOPERS FAST BAIT: AN OWL AND RAPTOR COMPATIBLE RODENTICIDE[®]

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Coopers Fast Bait



Cholecalciferol is the active ingredient of Coopers Fast Bait rodenticide (Registration number L11814, cholecalciferol 0.75 g/kg, Act No. 36 of 1947). It is registered to Coopers Manufacturing CC.

TOXICOLOGY AND POISONING

Cholecalciferol is a natural compound (Vitamin D₃) that is synthesised in the skin of animals with the aid of UV radiation (from the sun). It plays a vital part in calcium uptake in the body but at excessive doses it has a toxic effect by causing hypercalcification of the intestines. This characteristic is used in Coopers Fast Bait to control rodents as their tolerance for cholecalciferol is much less than that of dogs, cats and human beings. The rat LD₅₀ of cholecalciferol is 43.6 mg/kg and for mice 42.5 mg/kg. Intake of Coopers Fast Bait by rodents

has two effects, namely rapid hypercalcification as well as feeding termination because it induced anorexia in the target animal. The unique and highly palatable formulation of Coopers Fast Bait entices rodents to consume sufficient dosages of cholecalciferol to stop feeding very quickly and to kill them rapidly even with a single ingestion.

Cholecalciferol is technically non-toxic to birds with LD₅₀ >2,000 mg/kg.

This makes it a preferred rodenticide for application in situations where owls and raptors may be at risk of secondary poisoning due to its very low toxicity. It is also not as toxic to dogs and cats as most of the anti-coagulant rodenticides and is thus a safer option in situations where domestic pest may be at risk of primary poisoning.

Coopers Fast Bait is registered for the control of roof rats, Norwegian rats and house mice



The Griffon Poison Information Centre endorses Coopers Fast Bait as an effective rodenticide that reduces the risk of secondary poisoning to owls and raptors due very low avian toxicity

SAFE AND RESPONSIBLE USE OF COOPERS FAST BAIT IN HOMES, INDUSTRIAL SITES, HOSPITALITY PREMISES AND AGRICULTURE

- ❖ Apply all the Coopers Fast Bait **only in bait stations** irrespective of whether it is indoors or outdoors in locations where non-target animals such as dogs will not be able to gain access to the rodenticides. **This is a legal requirement according to the product label; it is not a recommendation.**
- ❖ Check bait stations daily and recover any spilt bait and dispose of it. Any left over baits that have not been consumed must also be recovered and disposed of.
- ❖ Rodents are likely to expire after the third day following application of COOPERS FAST BAIT. Inspect the treated areas, collect dead or dying rodents and dispose of them. This is best done early in the morning.
- ❖ Dogs that eat rodents that ingested COOPERS FAST BAIT are unlikely to be poisoned; it is however, necessary to have them examined by a veterinarian without delay for symptoms of hypercalcification.

WARNING!!

APPLY COOPERS FAST BAIT STRICTLY ACCORDING TO THE LABEL INSTRUCTIONS, ESPECIALLY AS IT DICTATES THE USE OF BAIT STATIONS. FAILURE TO DO SO WILL RESULT IN SEVERE PENALTIES ACCORDING TO ACT NO. 36 OF 1947

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