



TENNYSON INLET ISLANDS

GROUND BASED RODENT CONTROL - POISON WARNING

Vector Free Marlborough wishes to advise that a ground-based rodent control operation will be taking place to significantly reduce rodent numbers on Tawhitinui and Awaiti Islands. It is important that we reduce rodent numbers, as we work towards eradicating pests from the islands over the long term.

Description of control area

Tennyson Inlet Islands: Tawhitinui Island (22ha) and Awaiti Island (4ha) are located 2.5km east of Elaine Bay in the Marlborough Sounds and form part of the Tennyson Inlet islands group, which also includes Tarakaipā Island (not in the control operation) further south and east of Penzance Bay.

Operation date

From 14 August 2024

Poisoning methods, poison used and nature of poison

- Double Tap Pellet Bait containing Diphacinone 0.05g/kg and Cholecalciferol 0.6 g/kg in the form of a dyed green pellet bait, contained inside reusable Philproof bait stations attached to trees 100cm above the ground

General warning

The public are reminded of the danger that toxic baits pose, particularly to children and dogs.

- Follow advice stated on poison warning signs
- Do not touch poison baits or bait stations
- Do not touch poisoned rodent carcasses
- Keep children under strict supervision in the control area
- Do not let dogs eat poisoned carcasses

Warning signs will be erected at all main public entry points and the public are reminded that it is an offence to remove any of these signs. Please follow the instructions stated on the signs.

If you suspect poisoning

- Contact your local hospital, or dial 111
- National Poisons Centre 0800 POISON – 0800 764 766
- In the case of a domestic animal being poisoned, contact a local veterinarian.

For further information please contact

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