

Did you know...?

THERE IS ANOTHER WORLD IN THE DRAINS, SEWERS AND PIPES BENEATH THE STREETS OF OUR CITIES. AN UNDERWORLD – THE HOME OF THE BROWN RAT.

Thanks to their fine sense of smell, the sensitivity of their whiskers and paws and an amazing ability to climb almost anywhere, sewers and drains are a perfect place for rats to live, find plenty of food and breed. These intelligent rodents always manage to find dry and warm places to build their nests and are safely hidden away from natural predators like cats, weasels, owls or hawks.

Many people are not aware that they are inviting rats to enjoy varied and plentiful meals by thoughtlessly flushing scraps of food down the toilet. By the way, the more food they get, the more they breed.

You can play your part in helping us to stop this happening. It's easy! All you have to do is make sure that waste food is always put in the rubbish bin (non-recyclable waste) and that you never put cooked foods in the bin for green wastes.



Stadtentwässerung

Hannover

Wir klären das.



STADTENTWÄSSERUNG HANNOVER

Sorststrasse 16
30165 Hannover

Phone 0511 168-4 73 77
Fax 0511 168-4 61 37
68@hannover-stadt.de

Mon.-Thu. from 9 a.m to 3 p.m.
and Fri. from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
or by appointment

24-hour emergency hotline

...when things are not running as they should

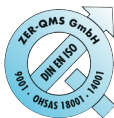
Phone 0511 168-4 74 77
Fax 0511 168-4 73 85
68.stoerungsannahme@hannover-stadt.de

This version dated:

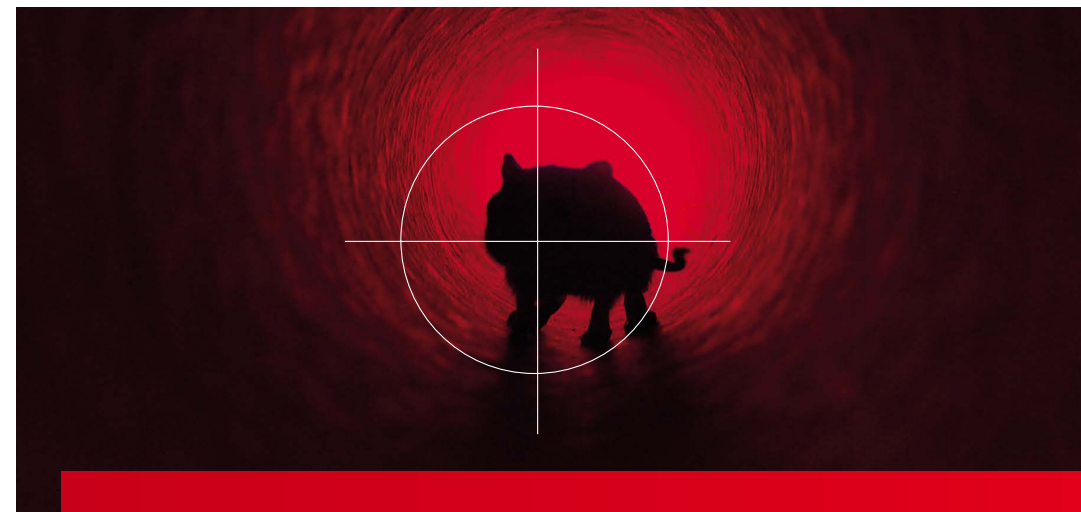
October 2015

Concept and design:

BUSCHBRAND grafikdesign, Hannover



www.stadtentwaerderung-hannover.de



INVADERS FROM THE UNDERWORLD
RAT PREVENTION FOR PRIVATE HOUSEHOLDS

LANDESHAUPTSTADT HANNOVER

HANNOVER

Invaders from the underworld

Rat prevention for private households



If you have seen rats coming out of the drains or sewers, please let us know:
STADTENTWÄSSERUNG HANNOVER
PHONE: (0511) 168-4 74 38

Rats in the sewers and drains are a risk to your health!

The rats that live in the sewers and drains of our villages, towns and cities are shy, secretive and rarely seen. Rats are very intelligent, they breed very quickly when enough food is available and can act as carriers for fleas, parasites and numerous diseases. If you see rats, report exactly what you saw and where you saw them right away.

If they are on private land or in privately owned houses or flats, you must report it to the owner. The law states that property owners must take immediate steps to get rid of them and pay all the costs of pest control – so there's no cost to you.

As a public authority, we lay out rat poison in the city's sewers and drains. There will be no danger to you, your family, your pets or the environment. In the few cases that rat poison is laid out above ground, this is always clearly indicated by warning signs. By the way, rats are extremely cautious and the poisons used to kill them may take a couple of weeks to finish their work, so please be patient if you still see rats for a while.

IF YOU HAVE ANY GENERAL QUESTIONS ABOUT RATS OR PUBLIC HEALTH, PLEASE CALL US ON ONE OF THE FOLLOWING NUMBERS!

Landeshauptstadt Hannover
Fachbereich Recht und Ordnung
Phone (0511) 1 68-4 62 93

Region Hannover
Fachbereich Gesundheit
Phone (0511) 6 16-4 25 84

How to stop rats invading the city and your home.



Never flush food scraps down the toilet.



Make sure that the lids of your rubbish bins are tightly closed.



If you have a compost bin in your garden, keep it tidy and always close the lid.

How rats get into your home from the sewers.

