

Customer Name

Technical Field Survey Report


Report X-20XX
Contract no. 123456



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| Visit date: | XX/X/20XX | Inspected by: | Chloe May |
| Visit type | Routine technical inspection | Position | Field Biologist |
| Report reference | FS230XX | Accompanied by: | NA |

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| Key | High | Needs to be addressed as soon as possible – current pest activity or very high risk of pest issues | Recommendation Only (RO) | Noted observation for site management including actions that would be beneficial but may require significant expenditure |
| | Medium | Should be addressed promptly – no current pest activity but moderate risk of causing issues if left | No Action Required (NA) | No action required, status update only |
| | Low | No immediate issues in the area, but some risk that there could be pest issues if no action taken | C= Customer | A = Abate |




SITE INSPECTION OBSERVATIONS

| Area | Observation | Recommendation | Priority | Action by | Date & Signature |
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| Roof space | No issues noted at the time of the visit | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| Offices/ Ancillary areas | No issues noted at the time of the visit – rest rooms were clean and tidy on this visit | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| Production | <p>There is a gap around the waste pipe, by the hand wash next to the production entrance</p>  | Please fill this gap with mastic, or similar, to limit possible pest movements and to avoid debris and water becoming trapped | Low | C | |
| Production | The void under the pallet lifter at the end of line 2 has an accumulation of debris and mouse droppings under it | Please clean this pit regularly to remove waste that is attracting pests and the droppings to help highlight any fresh activity Follow-up visits for the mouse activity are being conducted | High | C | |




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| Production – Chemical store | <p>A bin left in this room had some old product remains left in it</p>  | <p>Please ensure that bins are clean before being put away into storage to avoid these remains attracting pests, especially fruit fly (<i>Drosophila spp</i>)</p> | Medium | Low | |
| Packing | <p>The chain curtain was tied open and has shifted to the RHS leaving a gap to the side of the curtain.</p>  | <p>Please remind staff to keep the curtain in place</p> <p>Consider replacing this with a screen door – the door is often left open to help cool the area and a screen would allow cooling while reducing the risk of pest ingress. Abate can provide a quote for this work</p> | Low | C | |
| Goods In/Out | <p>The roller shutter door has a gap under the LHS frame (photo taken from outside)</p> | <p>Please fill this gap to limit possible pest ingress – mastic may work for this gap</p> | High | C | |



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| External | There are gaps around the AC pipes above the side fire escape  | Please fill these gaps to limit possible pest ingress – expanding foam may work although will need to be replaced with a more robust material in the event of rodent ingress | Low | C | |
| External | The drain plugs on skips are missing  | Please fit plugs to limit possible pest access to waste – using metal mesh (5mm or under ideally) is likely to be more effective than the plugs as this will allow liquids to drain while prevent rodent ingress | Medium | C | |


ASSESSMENT OF PEST MANAGEMENT

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| Documents | Site plans need slight amendments to the goods in/out area where additional points have been added | Revised plans sent with this report | Medium | A | XX.X.XX CM |

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| Servicing | <p>Generally good but some of the baits did not appear to be that fresh, especially in the roof void</p>  | Please replace baits regularly to avoid them becoming a potential breeding ground for insects | Medium | A | |
| Servicing | There are no plans showing the locations of the temporary boxes | Please add a plan showing their locations (and date/sign to show when they have been removed) | High | A | |

SUMMARY

Some signs of mouse activity found under the pallet riser in production. A mouse was removed from a nearby trap yesterday, so it is possible that these are now old: thorough cleaning of the area will help to confirm if the issue is now resolved, by highlighting any fresh droppings. Abate to conduct the next follow-up in 2 days. All other areas were clear and no activity noted externally.

Some improvements to cleaning could be made: these are typically in the less visible or difficult to access areas. Customer has recently employed new hygiene staff, which is hoped will start to see hygiene standards raised. Making adjustments to the skip drain holes should help to reduce the occasional rat activity found in this area.

Access is good – the access walkway around the goods in/out area is being maintained, thank you. Door discipline appeared good during the visit, although the packing room door curtain remains an issue, especially as the weather is starting to improve.

General proofing is good, although the roller shutter door gap made a high priority given the previous mouse activity in this area.

No environmental or H&S issues noted.

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TREND ANALYSIS

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| Rodents | <p>Site has had 3 instances of mouse activity so far this year (current production activity and in the warehouse in January and April). This is similar to the activity over the previous years (5 in 2020 and 6 instances in 2021), so does not suggest a trend of increasing activity.</p> <p>These instances are generally very short lived and as a result of single mice. The mice typically come in on pallets: customer has good stock intake checks in place but the nature of the goods means that single mice can easily hide unnoticed and restacking each pallet on intake is not practical. Customer is arranging to conduct an audit of the supplier to try to address the likely source of these mice. The additional trap boxes added in goods in/out appears to be working well at eliminating any intruders quickly.</p> <p>Proofing the warehouse door remains a priority to help ensure that the occasional mouse activity (normally field mice) does not translate into internal activity.</p> <p>Site has limited external activity, with slight increases noted during the cooler months. This is normally foraging field mouse activity, with occasional rat activity found in around the wate area.</p> |
| Insects | <p>Site has occasional fruit fly (<i>Drosophila spp</i>) activity during the summer. Clear at the moment and maintaining good waste handling practices should keep these to a minimum. EFK data trended separately.</p> |
| Birds | <p>No issues noted</p> |
| Other | <p>No issues noted – some rabbit activity along the hedgerow at the far end of the site but they have had no impact on the production building</p> |