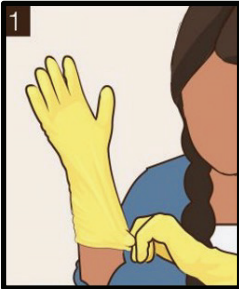


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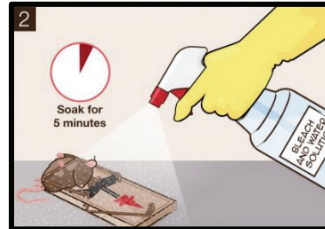
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STEP 1

Put on disposable rubber or plastic gloves.



STEP 2

Spray dead rodent and trap with a disinfectant until wet. Soak for at least 5 minutes or follow the disinfectant label.



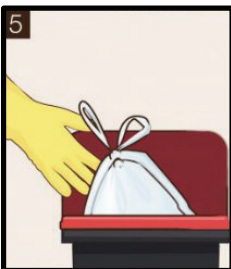
STEP 3

Place dead rodent and used trap in a plastic bag.



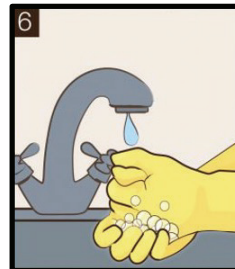
STEP 4

Tie the bag with rodent and used trap inside. Place the bag in a second plastic bag.



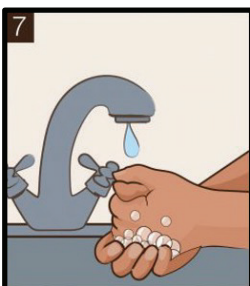
STEP 5

Throw the bag in a covered garbage can or an external dumpster.



STEP 6

Wash gloved hands with soap and water or a disinfectant before removing gloves.



STEP 7

Wash hands with soap and water after removing gloves.

Remember

Take precautions when handling a dead rodent. Safely dispose of dead rodents. Clean up areas contaminated with rodent urine and droppings.



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