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The basic tenet of rodent control is prevention. Taken broadly – 'IPM speak' – this includes removing alternative food, water, and shelter to deny rats and mice their basic needs (never mind sex). Removing these could effectively 'prevent' rodent infestations from establishing. The other side of this concept is denying rats and mice entry indoors; keep them outdoors and encourage them to visit bait stations. Dead rodents outside are preferable to live rodents inside.

How or when rats and mice get indoors is always a mystery, with a dose of myth. The entry points are never obvious; they are small and usually concealed (or overlooked during inspection). The long-standing myth is that a rat can enter through an opening the size of a nickel, and a mouse through the size of a dime. Not really. What they can do is expand these size openings into an access hole. It still makes holes this small a threat to any rodent control / prevention program. So, during a perimeter inspection you have to look for and seal potential and actual entry points.

Creating passable openings (2.75 to 4 inches for rats) from 'from nickels and dimes' is not difficult. Rodents can and do gnaw almost anything they can get their front teeth around. Rats can cut through any material softer than the enamel on their incisors. Norway rat incisors are rated 5.5 on the Moh's hardness scale – that puts them roughly between iron and steel! Comparable hardness values are known for the house mouse. Typically, rats attack material with a hardness of 3.5 or less, and that gives them a wide range of possibilities: aluminum, lead, copper, asphalt, wood, sheetrock, plastic, and soft mortar. Their jaw can bite with about 1 pound pressure and they take 1.5 bites per second when they are intent on getting in. With this amount of pressure and diligence, they can quickly turn nickels and dimes into an entry way.



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10 Common access points

While many entry points are not obvious, a few are. Let's look at a quick checklist of the more common ones:

1. Under garage doors; where the door does not meet the concrete pad. Replace the seal
2. Crawlspace vents; repair or replace if screens are ripped or vents broken
3. HVAC penetrations; where HVAC refrigeration lines go through the foundation and around the unit itself
4. Hose bibs; where water line goes through foundation or wall
5. Under first course of siding; occasionally you'll find an opening between the sill plate and footer
6. Door frames; openings between door frame and structure
7. Plumbing vent cover missing or broken; reinstall or replace
8. Under entry way doors; adjust or replace door sweep
9. Wire/cable through wall or foundation; seal around opening
10. Basement and crawlspace doors; seal all openings



FAST CATCH

The First True IPM Rodent Station



Technical Specifications:

» **ALERT FUNCTION** The **FAST CATCH** is available with or without the alert function. The **FAST CATCH** equipped with the alert function allows the technician to easily identify stations that have activity.

» **LONG ENTRANCE CORRIDOR** The long entry corridor permits the rat to commit to the station before reaching the snap trap. This gives the rat very little room to avoid the snap trap.

» **LOW PROFILE** Rats see patterns and shapes in their environment, especially angular lines and sharp edges. They quickly distinguish a shape or a pattern that stands out or is out of place. The **FAST CATCH** station is distinctly low profile with angular and smooth rounded edges. It is a combination of shapes and thus easily blends into the normal background.

» **PRIVATE LABEL** For as little as \$.25 per station B&G can print your company information on the station.

» **SINGLE KEY ENTRY** Just push down and station unlocks. Cuts down on the service time per station.

» **HEAVY DUTY DESIGN** Built for years of service. Can withstand "stepping on" without damage to station. Extra strong "true" hinge provides for a long service life.

» **NO STEP ENTRY** For rats to enter an opening, it should be at, or close to the level of, the floor, as rats would avoid taking a step 'into' an opening. The **FAST CATCH** station provides a very low edge to enter the trap at ground level.

» **SEE-THRU OPENING** Rats are apprehensive about entering dead-end spaces, and avoid new openings in their familiar or new habitat. The **FAST CATCH** station provides a clean, see-thru opening for the rat to enter. With a snap trap in place, the opening is still relatively unobstructed.

» **MULTI-PURPOSE** The **FAST CATCH** station can be used in several ways: snap trap only, bait station only, snap trap and bait, or just use for monitoring with Non-Toxic bait. The **FAST CATCH** can quickly go from a standard bait station to a station used in an IPM program for Food Processing Plants.

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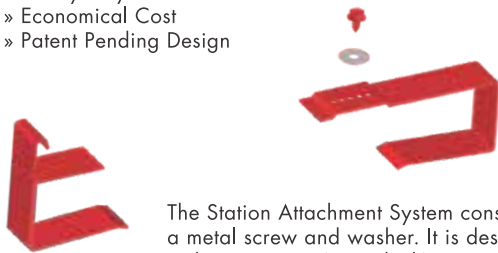


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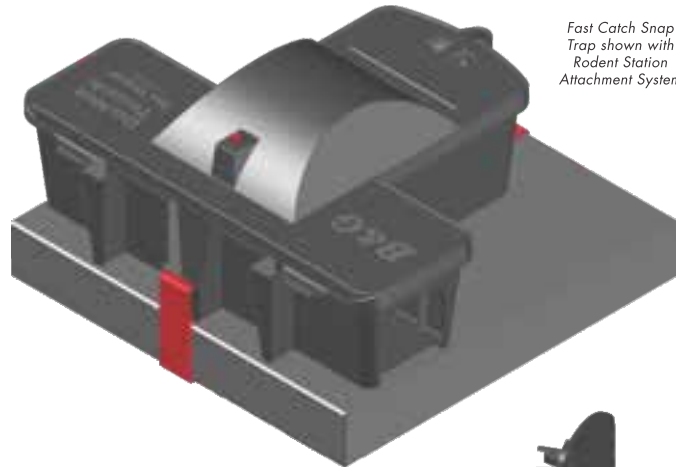
RODENT STATION ATTACHMENT SYSTEM

An easy and economical way to secure the Fast Catch and Rodent Bait Station

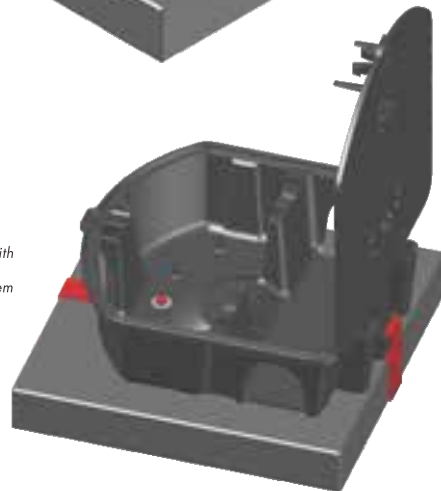
- » Attaches any B&G Rodent Station to a 12" x 12" paver block
- » Installs in less than 30 seconds
- » Heavy duty steel construction
- » Economical Cost
- » Patent Pending Design



The Station Attachment System consists of 2 clamps, a metal screw and washer. It is designed for use with a 12"x12" (1.5" thick) concrete paver, and only with B&G rodent stations.



Fast Catch Snap Trap shown with Rodent Station Attachment System



Rodent Bait Station shown with Rodent Station Attachment System

ORDER#	DESCRIPTION
25000260-C	Attachment System Kit
35000215	Rodent Station Black Pallet with Attachment System
35000320	Fast Catch - Black Pallet with Attachment System
35000321	Fast Catch Alert Pallet with Attachment System

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INSTRUCTIONS:

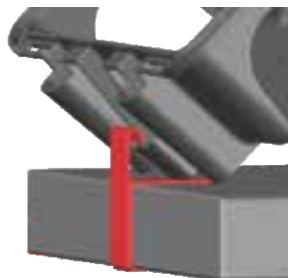
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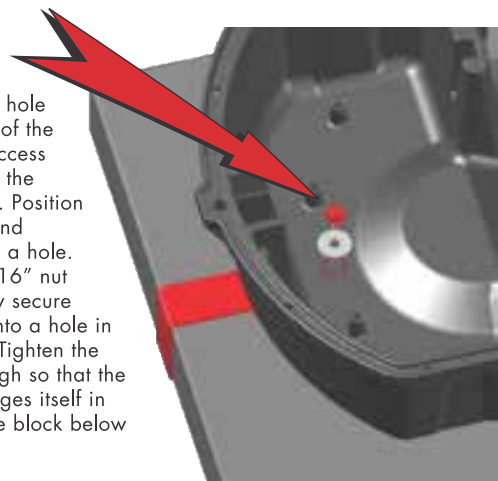
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The back of B&G rodent station will hook onto back clamp. The front of the B&G rodent station will attach to the front clamp using the metal screw and washer.



3.

Open the "knock-out" hole at the front of the station to access the holes in the front clamp. Position the screw and washer into a hole. Using a 5/16" nut driver firmly secure the screw into a hole in the clamp. Tighten the screw enough so that the screw engages itself in the concrete block below the clamp.



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