



CAMPAIGN FOR RESPONSIBLE RODENTICIDE USE and BASIS

“WILDLIFE AWARE” COURSE AND ACCREDITATION

TRAINING FOR TRAINERS

CRRU and BASIS have established a new training course, and associated accreditation scheme, for professional pest control technicians, and other competent users of rodenticides, under the title “Wildlife Aware”.

The course and accreditation is aimed at those who offer a service of rodent pest management to farming enterprises and other businesses in rural areas. Those who attend the course will have already attended training courses in rodent pest management so that they are competent in the use of anticoagulant rodenticides. “Wildlife Aware” accreditation is offered to all those who attend the “Wildlife Aware” course and pass the examination. This accreditation is intended to indicate to customers for rodent pest control services that those who hold the accreditation will work to the highest standards in order to achieve effective pest control with minimum adverse effects on wildlife and the wider environment.

Five modules will be presented during the one-day “Wildlife Aware” courses:

1. *Why Control Rodents.*
2. *Rodent Species – identification and behaviour.*
3. *How to control rodents on farms.*
4. *Environmental Impacts of Rodenticides.*
5. *The Campaign for Responsible Rodenticide Use.*

CRRU is offering Training for Trainers courses for those who wish to become BASIS Approved Trainers within this new initiative. Trainers should have extensive experience in providing courses on rodent pest management within existing training frame-works for technicians.

The Next Training for Trainers event will be held on 1st December, 2009 at:

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