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## **How to care for your Mice**

- Wire mouse cages, Habitrail, glass terrariums, or plastic tanks we recommend for housing your mice, for ease of cleaning, hygiene and less smell.
- Wood Shavings are great for bedding, as they are harmless if eaten, keep mice warm (perfect for pregnant mice), and will not strangle like cotton wool.
- Our specially formulated Rat and Mouse Food daily, provides a high quality diet, to which small amounts of most vegetables, fruits and grasses should be added.
- A Salt Lick Stone should be provided to satisfy your mouse's natural craving for salts (which they cannot retain in their bodies), and to prevent overgrown teeth.
- Fruit flavoured wood chews also promote healthy clean teeth, and provide an alternative to chewing the cage.
- Small Animal Worm syrup in their drinking water every 3 months is an easy way to keep your mouse worm free. All animals are susceptible to worms and worming is the only way to control it.
- Small Animal Vitamin (and mineral) Supplement, can be used twice a week in their water, to keep your mouse healthy. In captivity they do not get access to the wide range of food (and therefore vitamins), they would in the wild.
- Mite and Lice Spray is used to keep your mice free from fleas, lice and mites.
- A mouse wheel for exercise, and toys for playing with when living indoors, are important as mice are very social and intelligent animals and get bored easily.
- Keep your mice on kitty litter (under the shavings), which controls smells and helps file down claws. Only certain brands are safe, because mice will chew

on almost anything within reach. Litter should be changed as required, normally weekly.

- A water bottle should be hung on the inside of the cage. They are much better than water bowls, because they keep the water clean, and mice cant knock them over.
- A ceramic food bowl is perfect for food, as it is difficult to knock over (resulting in less wastage) or chew, as well as being easy to clean and hygienic.
- Hutch Clean is used to leave cage with pleasant smell, and keep bacteria under control. Most household cleaners are toxic to mice.

*The above information is only meant as a guide, and you should not hesitate to contact our helpful staff if you have any problems or concerns. Enjoy and look after your new mouse.*