

**DISTRICT OF
COLUMBIA
MUNICIPAL
REGULATIONS
For
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107.1 The Director of Public Health and the Director of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs are authorized to make, or cause to be made, inspections of existing buildings and other structures to determine the prevalence of rats, and if necessary for protection of the public health, they may order the following things to be done:

(a) The vent stoppage of any rat-infested building or other structure or part thereof;

(b) The removal from the premises of trash or refuse which may provide rat harborage;

(c) The protection of food and garbage from rats; and

(d) The extermination of rats on the premises by baiting or trapping, or both.

107.2 In the event of the proposed demolition, moving or removing, in whole or in part, of any building or structure, a certificate shall be obtained from the Director of Public Health, stating the proper measures have been taken for eradication and prevention of spread of rodents from the premises, before the permit to demolish or remove the building, or part, is issued.

107.3 In the event that the Mayor or his or her designated agent order the demolition or removal of an insanitary or unsafe building, or part thereof, other than a fence or shed, the eradication of rodents shall be done by and certified to by the Director of Public Health. [C.O. No. 56-1302, dated 6/28/56]

107.4 Any person who shall refuse to permit or shall interfere with such inspections, or any owner or occupant of any building or premises who shall fail or neglect to comply with an order issued under the authority of §§ 107.1-107.3 within the time allowed under the order, shall be guilty of a violation of this section.

107.5 Any person violating any of the provisions of this section shall, on conviction thereof, be punished by a f