



## **VECTOR CONTROL**

## **RODENT PROGRAM**



### **MICE**

Mobile County Health Department's Vector Control provides courtesy inspections, as well as exterior baiting to residents of Mobile County (No Commercial!). Our trained and licensed Rodent Inspectors professionally inspect the exterior areas (not interior) for Rodent activity. They will offer advice to residents to help control the rodent problem; as well as placing tamper-proof rodent bait stations, with EPA registered Anti-Coagulant Rodenticides, in a safe manner.

Call 251-690-8819

For More Information!



#### **TIPS TO HELP AVOID THESE CRITTERS!!!**

- Clean out closets and attics of unwanted clothes, paper, furniture, and other items.
- Clean and maintain areas behind stoves, refrigerators and other major appliances.
- Check for openings behind and around appliances, and behind cabinets; secure with steel wool temporarily.
- Keep opened sugar, flour, meal and other such food items stored in plastic, glass or metal containers.
- Close openings around all pipes with sheet metal or hardware cloth to prevent entry into home. Keep leftovers wrapped and refrigerated.

## **THE COMMON HOUSE MOUSE**

**The House Mouse is the number one rodent pest in most parts of the world.**

**Mice are small rodents with big ears, semi naked tails that are as long as the head and body combined.**

**Mice breed throughout the year, with peaks in the spring and fall.**

**Following a gestation period of 18 to 21 days the female produces a litter of 2 - 13 mice. A long lived female can produce between 6-10 litters.**

**A mouse has a home range of approximately 30 feet, and is generally nocturnal.**

**Mice are “nibblers”, opportunistic and omnivorous, preferring cereals and grains if available.**