

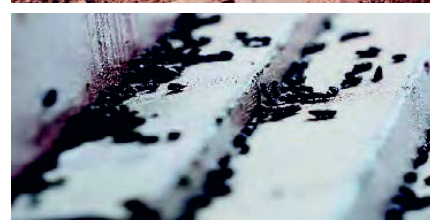
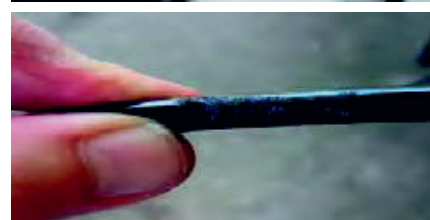



Food Safety Conversation No3: Pest Control

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Key Learning	What You Need To Know																			
<p>Following this conversation, you will be able to effectively identify signs of pest activity so that you can take appropriate action</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Check food deliveries for signs of pest contamination, such as gnaw marks, damaged packaging, spilled product etc. Do not leave food deliveries outside or unattended – put them away, into the appropriate food storage area immediately; do not leave deliveries outside where they may attract pests.. Make sure areas are kept clean and tidy, and that waste is removed regularly. Check your work area for signs of pest activity, such as contaminated food, droppings, chewed packaging, spilled food etc.. Report any signs of pests to your supervisor immediately. 	   																		
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Receipt Storage Preparation Cooking Service 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> What are the signs of pest damage you should look for when checking deliveries? Why is good housekeeping important for pest control? What are some signs of pest activity? What should you do if you find evidence of pest activity? 	<p>More information can be found in the Good Hygiene Practice Guide No: 3 Pest Control and the HSE website</p>																		

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