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PEST AND VERMIN CONTROL

Purpose:

Treetops Early Learning Centre is committed to ensuring safe practices for kaiako and tamariki safety. We will implement procedures to ensure that our centres are kept free from pests and vermin at all times.

Procedures:

- 1. Each centre will use approved pest and vermin control contractors. No centre will use their own pesticides or sprays in the classrooms.
- 2. Upon the discovery of pests, vermin, or droppings etc. staff are to notify the Centre Manager immediately. The CM or Administrator is to then contact the contracted pest control company if necessary, or the Centre Director if further action is required.
- 3. The contractor must use pesticides approved for public health use. All chemicals will be applied in accordance with the manufacturer's guidelines.
- 4. The contractors must provide the centre with a 'Material Safety Data sheet' in case a child or staff member has an allergic reaction or ingested any poison. The MSD will be kept in the health and safety file in the office.
- 5. Any work required by contractors in the classrooms will be completed outside of licensed hours.
- 6. Treetops ELC will engage the services of pest and vermin control contractors regularly.

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