

# Pest awareness e-learning for the food industry

**BRC Global Standard for Food Safety, Issue 8, August 2018**  
 Clause 4.14.12: Employees shall understand the signs of pest activity and be aware of the need to report any evidence of pest activity to a designated manager.

Pest management is a pre-requisite for ensuring food safety where food is manufactured, prepared, stored or sold. Everyone working in such environments has a critical part to play in a successful pest management programme.

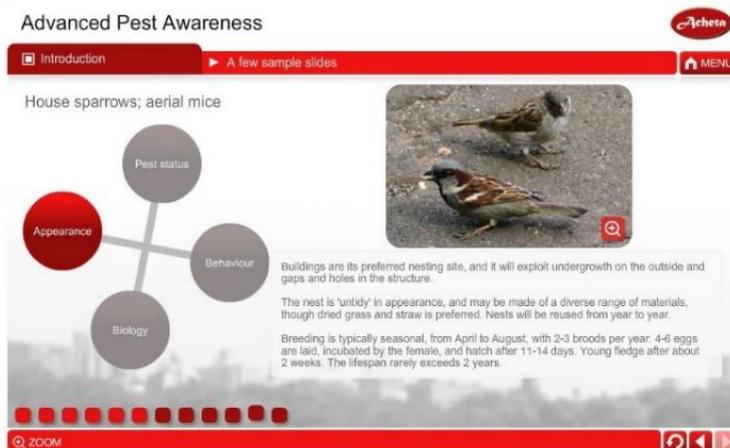
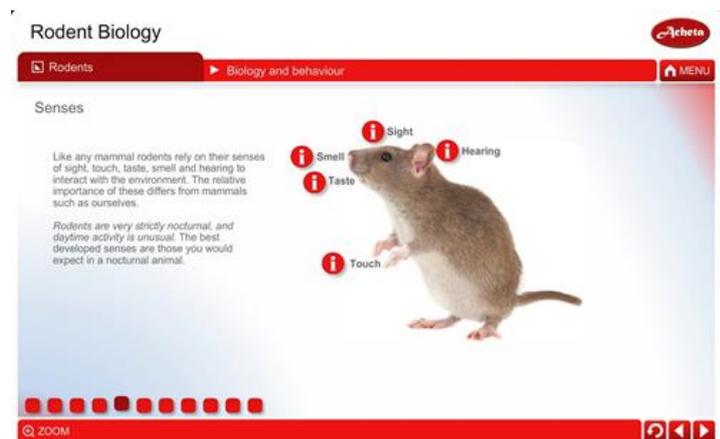
Our e-learning is designed to impart knowledge, in an informative, entertaining and interactive way, to allow everyone to successfully fulfil their role in the Integrated Pest Management (IPM) programme. This will help ensure compliance with legislation and standards relating to pest management and will enhance due diligence protection.

## Essential Pest Awareness

Designed particularly with food production, maintenance, warehousing and retail employees in mind, this entry level course, with an anticipated completion time of around 60-90 minutes, aims to impart the key facts concerning those pests that may present a threat in a food manufacturing or storage environment. The key topics are:

- Why controlling pests is important
- How they enter premises
- What they need to survive and multiply
- The basic principles of Integrated Pest Management
- Rodent and insect pest facts, including spotting signs of their presence
- The role of the individual in a successful IPM programme

An assessment comprising 15 questions, with a pass mark of 80%, allows verification that the essential knowledge has been acquired. A certificate is issued automatically when a pass is achieved. ***This course has been independently assessed by the CPD Certification Service; 1 learning hour.***



### Your investment (cost per person)

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| • 1-10 licences | £40 |
| • 11-100        | £30 |
| • 100+ licences | £25 |

All prices are exclusive of VAT. Licences remain valid for three months from date of purchase, extendable on request.

Sample slides from the course may be viewed at:

<http://learning.acheta.co.uk/essential-pest-awareness-demo-course>

## Advanced Pest Awareness

**Tesco Food Manufacturing Standard, Version 6, March 2015**

*A trained and competent company employee must be accountable for the pest management programme.....*

Most food safety standards include a requirement for the person responsible for managing pest control to have received relevant training. The Acheta Advanced Pest Awareness e-learning course is designed to meet this need and will also be of interest to those who audit pest control activities in their own, or suppliers, sites. The key objectives of this course are:

- To appreciate and understand the reasons why pest management in a food handling environment is of critical importance
- To review the principal rodent, insect and bird pests in a food manufacturing, storage or retail environment
- To understand those aspects of their biology and behaviour that are critical to achieving successful control, and which can impact adversely on our ability to control them
- To be introduced to the principles and practices of a successful IPM programme.

This is a comprehensive course, with an estimated completion time of 5-8 hours. A 25-question assessment, with a pass mark of 70%, ensures verification that the essential knowledge has been acquired. **A comprehensive technical manual is provided as part of the course**, and a certificate is issued automatically when a pass is achieved.

***This course has been independently assessed by the CPD Certification Service; 6 learning hours.***

### Your investment (cost per person)

- 1-10 licences           £150
- 11-100 licences       £125
- 100 + licences       £100

All prices are exclusive of VAT. Licences remain valid for six months from date of purchase, extendable on request.

Sample slides from the course may be viewed at:

<http://learning.acheta.co.uk/advanced-pest-awareness-demo-course>. The [rodent biology and behaviour](#) section may also be viewed, *free of charge*, in its entirety.



### Client managed portal

To establish a client-managed portal, where you have control of the enrolment and tracking process there is an initial set-up fee of £250, plus an annual management fee of £250 (also payable in the first year). Cost per candidate is then:

Essential Pest Awareness; £20 per candidate      Advanced Pest Awareness; £90 per candidate

### Cost comparison:

Number of licences	Total cost for licences only	Total cost using a client-managed portal
10 Essential 1 Advanced	£550	£790
100 Essential 3 Advanced	£2950	£2770
300 Essential 10 Advanced	£9000	£7400

***Courses may also be purchased, for delivery on your own e-learning platform. Contact us for details.***

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