Recommendations for Preventing Rodent Entry Maintenance and Repair of Commercial Roll-up and Metal Walk-Through Doors



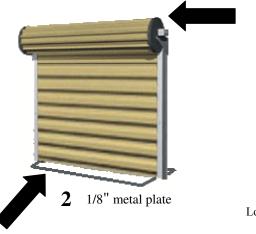
1. Check roll-up sections for damage. Holes larger than 1/4" must be repaired with metal. Roll-up sections with excessive damage should be replaced.

2. Base of the door must be flush with concrete. Gaps and uneven areas must be eliminated by shaping an added metal section to conform with the concrete, or by completely replacing the concrete beneath the door to provide a smooth and even floor. If the concrete is not severely damaged, a strip of diamond plate (1/8" metal) that is the exact width of the door opening and several inches wider than the base of the door can be securely bolted to the concrete. A level base that meets the door to within 1/4" is the only acceptable repair. Gaps of less than 1/4" can be sealed from the inside using industrial grade rubber only.

3. Entire frame of door must be completely flush with the outside wall of the structure. Metal flashing on the sides and above the door is the only material for repair.

4. The opening at the base of the door where the locking latch passes through must not be greater than 1/4" from the edges of the latch.

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5. Older style cylinder-type roll-up doors must be checked to ensure there is no space at the top of the frame when the door is closed. The cylinder decreases in size as the door lowers and the space expands. The upper portion of the door frame must have sufficient height to contact the cylinder when the door is extended (closed) to prevent rodent entry.

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