

# SNEEZING RATS



Rats sneeze for a variety of reasons and an occasional sneeze is normal, but excessive sneezing could be a sign of something more serious. If your rat also has red staining around the eyes or nose, is rattling, wheezing, chirping, has raspy, labored breathing, or is making a clicking noise, these are usually signs of a more serious respiratory infection. You will want to make an immediate appointment with your veterinarian to get the proper diagnosis and antibiotic treatment, otherwise your pet may die or be permanently damaged.

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