



Man reports finding rodent head-first in Sour Patch Kids wrapper at AMC Lennox

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COLUMBUS -- Bobby Powell and a group of friends bought tickets on Halloween night to catch a flick.

What they soon found out is they were sharing a row with a four-legged movie fan with whiskers. While the furry nuisance was likely hoping to catch "Ratatouille," Powell and his friends were there to see the Matt Damon film "Suburbicon."

Powell said about 20 minutes into the movie; he heard what sounded like wrappers rustling underneath his seat.

He noticed it was a rodent; most likely a mouse, he said.

Then, he looked over at the empty seat next to him.

"We stay in the theater for 5 or 10 minutes afterwards, as gross as that was, and a few minutes later and I hear and I see the food next to me moving around and there was another one in the seat right next to me," he said.

He said the rodent was head-first in his bag of Sour Patch Kids candy.

That's when he and his group left and told management, who told him he was the third person that day to complain of seeing a rodent in the theater.

Powell said he was given a refund for his ticket and later contacted OSHA (Occupational Safety and Health Administration).

OSHA then sent a letter to the theater demanding it correct the problem within five days.

Upon request for comment from 10TV, the company said, "We're aware of the guest report, and we are taking all necessary steps to address it. AMC takes aggressive and proactive pest control action, including a proactive inspection by a pest control company at AMC Lennox 24 every week."

A check of Franklin County Health Department records found the last food inspection on Sept. 14 found rodent droppings at the same theater in the food area.

The problem was corrected.