

WHERE CAN I FIND OF LIST OF CERTIFIED MITIGATORS?

The list is available online at www.lowradon.org or by calling the Radon Information Center at 920-262-8094 for a copy.

I AM A RENTER WITH A HIGH RADON LEVEL. IS MY LANDLORD REQUIRED TO MITIGATE?

There is no Wisconsin law that requires landlords to lower Radon levels in their rental properties.

FREE RADON TEST KITS ARE AVAILABLE AT:

Watertown Department of
Public Health
515 S. First St.
Watertown, WI 53094

Jefferson County Health Department
1541 Annex Rd.
Jefferson, WI 53549

Dodge County Health Department
143 E. Center St.
Juneau, WI 53039

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

www.lowradon.org : Radon information from the Wisconsin Department of Health Services

www.epa.gov : Radon information including publications, public service announcements, and other national information for the Environmental Protection Agency.

www.cansar.org : Testimony by lung cancer patients caused by radon.

RADON

What you need to know about the cancer causing gas inside your home!

**Radon Information Center
For Dodge and Jefferson
Counties and City of Watertown**

Tel: 920-262-8094

Did you know? Radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer! **21,000** lung cancer deaths a year are caused by Radon.

FAQ's

WHAT IS RADON?

Radon is:

- Colorless
- Odorless
- A natural occurring gas
- A Carcinogen (causes cancer)

The majority of Radon enters the home through the soil underneath your house. (Uranium decays to radium which decays to radon).

The EPA guideline is any home above 4.0 pCi/L (picocuries per liter) should have their homes corrected to lower their Radon level.

WHO CAN HAVE RADON IN THEIR HOME?

Anyone. It doesn't matter if your house is old or new, it still can have radon in it. Just because your neighbor has low radon doesn't mean your house does. Radon varies from house to house. Everyone should test their home!



HOW DO I DETERMINE THE RADON LEVEL IN MY HOME?

There is only one way to know: **TESTING YOUR HOME!** Since Radon is colorless, odorless and tasteless, you cannot know the amount of exposure without testing. Radon can be tested different ways with different devices with short term or long term varieties. Free Radon test kits are available at the local health listed below on the back page.

WHERE DO I PLACE MY TEST KIT?

Test kits should be placed in the lowest lived in level of the home.

Note: Basements that are infrequently used (e.g. only to do laundry), are not the best location since there is limited exposure. A first floor room that you would have a longer exposure to Radon (bedroom, living room) is the best location.

WHEN SHOULD I TEST FOR RADON?

Since testing is done under closed house conditions, winter is the best time to test for Radon.

MY RADON LEVEL IS LESS THAN 4.0 pCi/L? WHAT DO I DO?

If your level is below 4.0 pCi/L, no further action is necessary. It is recommended that you continue to test for radon every few years.

MY RADON LEVEL IS ABOUT 4.0 pCi/L. How DO I LOWER MY RADON LEVEL?

A mitigation system will reduce your radon level in your home. The mitigation system will have a pipe with a fan pulling the Radon from below your house and out the vent

Note: Decision to mitigate should never be determined by one single test.

A second test to confirm your level should be done before mitigating.

