

You can fix a radon problem and protect your family

If your home does have elevated levels of radon, you can install a radon reduction system. These systems should be installed by a certified radon mitigator. Radon reduction systems are low-cost solutions that work. Some radon reduction systems can reduce radon levels in your home by up to 99%. Even very high radon levels can be reduced to acceptable levels with a properly installed radon reduction system. Reducing radon reduces health risks.

New homes can be built with radon-resistant features

When installed properly and completely, simple and inexpensive features can help reduce indoor radon levels in homes. Installing a passive radon reduction system at the time of construction is easier and less expensive than installing a system after the house is completed.

Every new home should be tested after occupancy, even if it was built radon-resistant. If radon levels are still at or above 4 picocuries per liter of air (pCi/L), the passive system should be activated by having a certified mitigator install a vent fan.

You should test for radon

Testing is the only way to know if you and your family are at risk from exposure to radon. The New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH), US EPA, and the Surgeon General recommend testing all homes for radon. Testing is inexpensive and easy – it should only take a few minutes of your time. Millions of Americans have already tested their homes for radon.



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You may buy a test kit from the NYSDOH, County Health Departments, hardware stores, or the hardware section of your local department store. In addition, be sure that the analysis of the radon test is performed by a company that is approved through the NYSDOH Environmental Laboratory Approval Program (ELAP) www.wadsworth.org/labcert/elap/radon.html.

Order a radon test kit

by visiting
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Learn more about radon

For more information about radon, testing and fixing your home, or radon-resistant new construction, contact the New York State Department of Health's Radon Program.

Phone: 518-402-7556

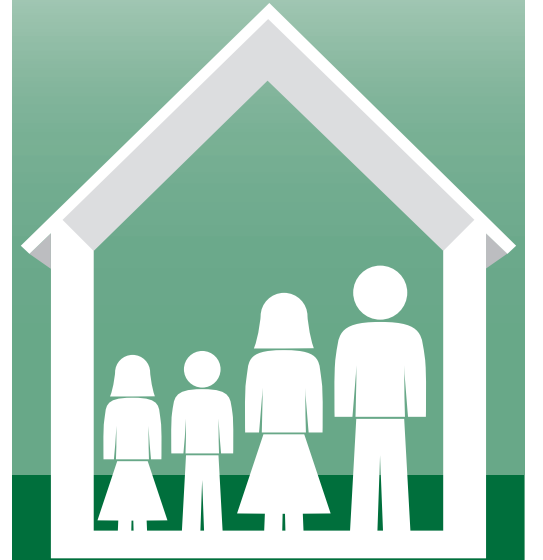
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