

Mold FAQ's

Q: Where does mold typically grow in homes?

A: Mold thrives in damp and humid areas. Common locations include bathrooms, basements, kitchens, and areas with water leaks.

Q: Can mold cause health problems?

A: Yes, exposure to mold can lead to respiratory issues, allergies, and skin irritation. Individuals with weakened immune systems may be more susceptible.

Q: Are there specific types of mold to be concerned about?

A: Molds can have varying effects on our health, with certain molds being more harmful than others, such as *Stachybotrys* or (black mold).

Q: Can I paint over mold to cover it up?

A: Specific paints are designed to encapsulate mold. However, it is essential to address the root cause and remove mold properly to prevent continual growth.



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MOLD

Mold growth often occurs in damp or humid environments, like bathrooms, basements, attics, kitchens, laundry rooms, and other areas where moisture accumulates. Mold is a type of fungi that can be found both indoors and outdoors. Regular mold inspections empower homeowners to identify early signs of growth. Early detection is key!

By addressing mold issues promptly, you can..

- prevent health complications
- avoid costly property damage
- maintain a clean and safe living environment

Investing in a mold inspection is a proactive measure that can save you both time and resources in the long run, ensuring a healthier and more secure home for you and your loved ones.

How do we test for mold?

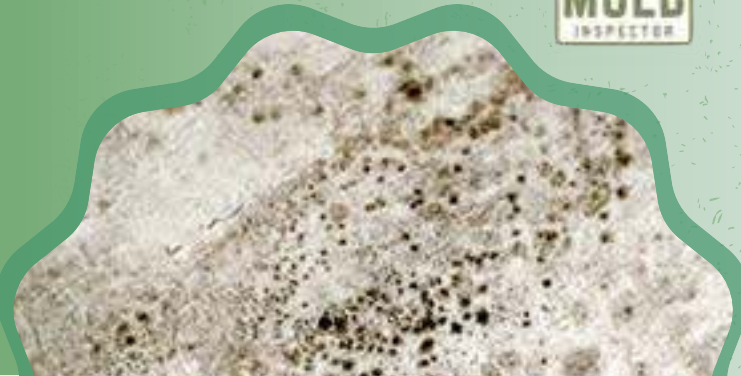
Our inspectors are licensed and expertly trained on identifying areas that could be conducive to mold. Our mold test consists of two air samples and a swab sample that are sent to a local environmental lab. Your results are returned within 1-2 business days.



Health Effects of Mold Exposure

Mold reproduces through spores, which are released into the air and can cause health problems when inhaled.

- Breathing Issues
- Muscle Pain
- Depression and Sadness
- Digestive Disorders
- Stuffy or runny nose
- Eye irritation (watering, red eyes, itching)
- Sore, dry throat
- Dry cough or sneezing
- Skin Problems
- Brain fog (difficulty focusing)



Mold Prevention Tips & Tricks

- ✓ **Complete routine checks** - Inspect your property for evidence of water damage and visible mold growth.
- ✓ **Control humidity levels** - Keep humidity levels as low as you can, typically between 30% and 50%, all day long.
- ✓ **Promptly fix leaks** - Fix any leaks in your home's roof, walls, or plumbing so mold does not have moisture to grow.
- ✓ **Thorough cleaning** - Regularly scrub bathroom areas. Be sure to dry surfaces completely after flooding.
- ✓ **Ensure ventilation** - Be sure your home has enough ventilation in showers, laundry rooms, and cooking areas.
- ✓ **Proactive thinking** - Avoid using carpet in rooms or areas like bathrooms or basements that may have a lot of moisture and are known to harbor mold.

