

# **RADON TESTING**

# **Radon Testing of Homes**

The guideline "Action Level" of 800 Bq/m³ (20 pCi/l) was adopted in 1988. In 2006, Canada's *Federal Provincial Territorial Radiation Protection Committee* (FPTRPC) recommended a revised guideline with a lower action level of 200 Bq/m³, which was adopted by Health Canada.

## **Test Protocol**

Testing for radon in homes can be carried out by the homeowner using a long-term monitor, such as an alpha-track type radon detector. **Long-term** electret sensors are also acceptable. At least one (1) monitor should be placed in the **main living area** of the home (not the basement) at about 4' to 7' above the ground. It should be left there for a minimum of three (3) heating months and preferably for a six (6) to twelve (12) month period. The monitor is then returned to the supplier who provides the results to the customer. A current list of some suppliers of these devices and their approximate cost is on the attached page.

Other types of radon detectors, such as charcoal canisters and electronic "sniffer" devices, are available but not recommended for evaluating radon in homes since they give a short-term reading (e.g. three (3) days) rather than a long-term (integrated) measurement of the average radon level. If such tests are carried out, owners need to be aware of the uncertainties in the interpretation of any results.

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## **BC Centre for Disease Control**

An agency of the Provincial Health Services Authority

The following information is a listing of businesses known to RPS to supply radon testing devices, or that provide measurements or remediation services. This information is not an endorsement of any products or services provided by these businesses and BCCDC assumes no liability as a result of the use of such services.

Please contact RPS at 604.707.2442 (rpsinfo@bccdc.ca) if you are uncertain as to the type of service you require. Businesses not listed below that wish to have their information included on this list and our website should contact RPS via email with their business info.

### **Canadian Companies**

#### **Healthy Homes IAQ**

103-3677 Hwy 97N Kelowna BC V1X 5C3 T: 250.862.6400 | F: 250.861.4934

E: info@healthyhomesiag.com | W: http://www.healthyhomesiag.com

## **Bubble Technology Ind**

**Radiation Services Div** 

Hwy 17, PO Box 100 Chalk River ON KOJ 1J0

T: 613.589.2456 | F: 613.589.2763 Email: services@bubbletech.ca

Website: http://bubbletech.ca/product/radon-monitoring/

## **Central Interior Radon Testing & Mitigation Services**

Hardy Nickel

426 Melville Ave Prince George BC V2M 1Y2

T: 250.981.0227

E: hnickelpg@shaw.ca | W: http://www.ciradontesting.ca

Area for services limited to northern BC (Kamloops and north of)

#### Fine Homes Design

Peter Chataway (Mitigation Consultant) 368 Cadder Ave Kelowna BC V1Y 5N1

T/F: 250.763.1334

#### **HomePro Inspections**

E: info@homepro.ca | W: http://www.homepro.ca

250.545.7071 North Okanagan Central Okanagan 250.861.1802 South Okanagan 250.492.4461

## **Interior Radiation Protection Services Ltd**

Paul Muntak (Certified Radon Mitigator) RR 1, S10, C10 Slocan Park BC V0G 2E0

T: 250.359.8044 | F: 250.359.8045 | C: 250.365.9865

E: paul@irps.info | W: http://www.irps.info/

## **LEX Scientific Inc**

Saul Bravo

204-2 Quebec St Guelph ON N1H 2T3 T: 519.824.7082 | F: 519.824.5784

E: admin@lexscientific.com | W: http://www.lexscientific.com

#### Professional Laboratories Inc (PRO-LABs)

40 Hanlan Rd, Unit 45 Vaughan ON L4L 3P6

TF: 1.800.427.0550 | T: 905.663.7036

E: info@prolabinc.com

W: http://www.prolabinc.com/products.asp?kit=radongas

## **Radon Detect**

**Tibor Popovics** 

1695 Impala Hills Lakefield ON KOL 2HO TF: 1.800.755.1145 | F: 705.657.1650

E: tibor@radondetect.ca | W: http://www.radondetect.ca

Certified NRPP: radon measurement & analytical; supplies test kits & mitigation products across Canada

#### **Radon Environment Management**

Alana McFarlane, Communications & Design 450-1040 W Georgia St Vancouver BC V6E 4H1

T: 778.327.4717 | F: 778.327.4716

E: info@radoncorp.com | W: http://www.radoncorp.com Cost: \$40 Radtrak<sup>2</sup> Radon Gas Test Kit (includes shipping and lab analysis)

#### RadonBC

Vernon BC

C: 250.549.0119 (call or text)

E: dan@radonbc.ca | W: http://www.radonbc.ca/

Certified NRPP: Radon measurement/mitigation; Concrete cutting/coring/penetrating 3D radar imaging

#### RadonKit.ca

35-3010 33<sup>rd</sup> Ave NW Edmonton AB T6T 0C3

T: 587.937.2366

E: info@radonkit.ca | W: http://www.radonkit.ca

#### **RH Morse & Associates Ltd**

Robert H. Morse, PhD PEng

Toronto ON T: 416.269.9979

E: morse@finderschoice.com | W: http://www.finderschoice.com/rn/

Provides alpha detection systems for low levels of radon, radon daughters, radium and thoron in water

## **US Companies**

#### Air-Chek

1936 Butler Bridge Rd Mills River NC 28759

T: 828.684.0983 | F: 828.684.8498

W: http://www.radon.com

Charcoal Detector, Radon in Water test

#### **Landauer Corporate Office**

2 Science Rd Glenwood IL 60425-1586

T: 708.755-7000 | F: 708.755.7016 | TF: 1.800.323.8830 E: <u>custserv@landauerinc.com</u> | W: <u>http://www.landauerinc.com</u>

## Radiation Safety Services Inc (RSSI)

6312 Oakton St W Morton Grove IL 60053 Tel: 847.965.1999 | Fax: 847.965.1991

E: radon@rssi.us | W: http://www.rssi.us

Provides alpha-track detectors.

## Radon Environmental Monitorina Inc

3334 Commercial Ave Northbrook IL 60062

T: 847.205.0110

## **Short-term Real Estate Testing for Radon**

## Canadian Radon Services Inc

Trevor Ginther

6329 96th St Grand Prairie AB T8W 2B9 T/F: 780.539.4626 | C: 780.228.6187

E: trevorginther@yahoo.ca

## **Rocky Mountain Inspections Ltd**

Erik Stout

PO Box 2873 Fernie BC VOB 1M0 T: 250.423.0963 | F: 708.755.7016

TF: 1.800.323.8830

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