

Mold and Your Home

Mold is found both indoors and outdoors. **Mold can enter your home through open doorways, windows, vents, and heating and air conditioning systems. Mold in the air outside can also attach itself to clothing, shoes, bags, and pets can and be carried indoors.**

Mold will grow in places with a lot of moisture, such as around leaks in roofs, windows, or pipes, or where there has been flooding. Mold grows well on paper products, cardboard, ceiling tiles, and wood products. Mold can also grow in dust, paints, wallpaper, insulation, drywall, carpet, fabric, and upholstery.

Understanding the Black Mold Health Effects

Mold is a compound that many individuals need to know about because as it develops it creates infectious diseases and issues. Mildew has the capability to break down any matter as long as it is organic. **Black mold health effects are serious** and need to be brought to awareness of its risky behavior. This compound is usual outside the home, however, as it traverses into the home issues will erupt along with it.

The effects of black mold can become even more hazardous to those who are unaware. There are several issues that can occur and include skin infections, organ infections, and vascular infections that are fatal. After you understand the problem and how serious it can evolve you can take the correct action against it. Take care of the situation before it grows.

How to get the molds out of buildings, including homes

In most cases mold can be removed from hard surfaces by a thorough cleaning with commercial products, soap and water, or a [bleach solution](#) of no more than 1 cup of bleach in 1 gallon of water. Absorbent or porous materials like ceiling tiles, drywall, and carpet may have to be thrown away if they become moldy. If you have an extensive amount of mold and you do not think you can manage the cleanup on your own, you may want to contact a professional who has experience in cleaning mold in buildings and homes. It is important to properly clean and dry the area as you can still have an allergic reaction to parts of the dead mold and mold contamination may recur if there is still a source of moisture.

If you choose to use bleach to clean up mold:

- Never mix bleach with ammonia or other household cleaners. Mixing bleach with ammonia or other cleaning products will produce dangerous, toxic fumes.
- Open windows and doors to provide fresh air.
- Wear non-porous gloves and protective eye wear.
- Always follow the manufacturer's instructions when using bleach or any other cleaning product.