

STEPS TO INSPECTING & REMEDIATING YOUR HOME FOR MOLD & WATER DAMAGE

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Inspect your home or building for signs of mold and water damage. If mold and water damage is found or suspected, consider hiring a *knowledgeable* Indoor Environmental Professional (IEP) who can determine the extent of any problems and determine next steps.

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If remediation is recommended, consider hiring a *knowledgeable* remediation company that follows, at a minimum, the practices outlined in *"Mold Remediation at a Glance."*

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Perform post-remediation verification (clearance testing) of work areas. This is typically done by a third party such as an IEP.

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Clean the rest of the home and belongings (sometimes known as small particle cleaning), and consider cleaning the HVAC and ductwork (if HVAC and ductwork were not addressed as part of Step 2) to remove cross-contamination. Additional testing may be considered at this point.

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Reevaluate how you feel in the home and consider working with a knowledgeable healthcare practitioner if health symptoms and concerns persist. Implement preventive measures, regular maintenance, and a cleaning schedule.

For step-by-step support navigating the inspection and remediation process, visit our **"Start Here"** tab at [ChangeTheAirFoundation.org](https://www.ChangeTheAirFoundation.org)

Additional Resources

"The 5 Signs of Water Damage"

"Three Key People In Your Remediation Project"

"Moisture Basics"

"Checklist: Where to Look for Mold & Water Damage"

"Questions to Ask When Hiring an IEP."

"Questions to Ask When Hiring a Remediation Company"

"Mold Remediation at a Glance"

"Mold Remediation Contracts"

"HVAC & Duct Cleaning Basics"

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