

# Mold Uncovered Map Content

# Top Tier States (blue on the map)

# • District of Columbia

- DC has a mold licensure program. Indoor mold professionals must pass a department-approved examination to obtain a license.
- Multiple IICRC certifications are recognized as approved examinations, which align with accredited industry standards.

## Florida

- o Florida requires anyone providing mold-related services to be licensed.
- The IICRC Mold Remediation Specialist (MRS) exam is one of the exams approved for licensure as a Mold Remediator. The MRS is currently in the process of becoming accredited against the ISO/IEC 17024 standard and aligns with the accredited industry standard.

# Kentucky

o The Attorney General states that the mold remediation regulation 40 KAR 2:330 "is based on principles established by the Institute of Inspection, Cleaning and Restoration Certification (IICRC) (see Standard ANSI/IICRC S520)." See page here.

# New Hampshire

 New Hampshire requires anyone providing mold assessment services to hold a third party accredited certification.

# Middle Tier States (light blue on the map)

# Connecticut

- o Connecticut provides fairly extensive mold abatement guidance on its website, referencing other documents like the ANSI/IICRC S520.
- o The state does not, however, have mold remediation regulations.
- O SB 423 would require the Office of Policy and Management to establish an indoor air quality assessment program. Under the bill, indoor air quality looks to include the overall potential health factors within a school facility, including air quality, mold, and other potentially harmful toxins.

# Maryland

- Maryland has introduced recent mold legislation but does not have specific mold remediation regulations.
- HB 361 would require the Department of the Environment to adopt certain regulations that would establish uniform standards for mold assessment and remediation.



# New Jersey

- New Jersey does not have a licensing program for those performing mold services.
- The New Jersey Department of Health provides mold guidelines for residents but stops short of specific mold regulations.
- A 3274 would require Department of Community Affairs to establish procedures for inspection and abatement of mold hazards in residential buildings and school facilities, and certification programs for mold inspectors and mold hazard abatement workers.
- o In the News: "Uninhabitable:' Mold leaves NJ renters to battle health effects, costly cleanup" (https://www.app.com/story/news/local/new-jersey/2021/12/20/mold-infestation-nj-renters-lack-regulations/6095737001/)

## New York

- o New York has a mold licensing program that requires approved training.
- S 5097 would require the disclosure of indoor mold history upon the sale of certain real property. It would also require the Commissioner of Housing and Community to promote rules and standards for the remediation and prevention of indoor mold. See our memo to representatives on S 5097 here.

## Ohio

- The state has a resource page that provides information surrounding the dangers of mold
- HB 251 was introduced, requiring sellers and landlords to disclose their knowledge of mold, create a public mold campaign, and require the state to review mold remediation technology every five years. See our letter/written testimony on this bill <a href="here">here</a>.

## Oregon

- The state has a resource page that provides information surrounding the dangers of mold
- The city of Portland recognizes certifying entities for mold sampling, testing, remediation, and treatment, including the IICRC; however, this regulation is not state-wide.

# Texas

- Texas has comprehensive mold remediation licensing regulations but does not mention accredited industry standards.
- The state is currently in the process of revising the existing mold remediation regulations. The IICRC has <u>submitted comments</u> encouraging references to the ANSI/IICRC S520, and is serving on a working group to advise on regulation revisions.
- HB 716 calls for a study and report to be done regarding mold contamination in housing developments that are wholly or partly supported by financial assistance administered by the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs.



# South Carolina

- The state has a resource page that provides information about the dangers of mold
- O 2019-2020 Bill 3127 was a joint resolution that established the Mold Abatement and Remediation Study Committee that was tasked with studying the impact of mold in public areas and the best way to remediate the mold in public areas.

## Vermont

- The state has a resource page that provides information about the dangers of mold
- O H 463 would create the Working Group to Address the Presence of Toxigenic Mold in Buildings who would be tasked with drafting a model plan for tracking the effects of mold, developing a mold awareness campaign, proposing mold training for town health officers, recommending continuing education, and reviewing how real estate disclosures should be changed.

# Virginia

- The state has a resource page that provides information about the dangers of mold
- HB 1824 was enacted to require property disclosure forms to advise buyers to get a mold inspection done on a home that follows EPA guidelines.
- O HB 868 would require the landlord to include in every rental agreement the terms and conditions governing the landlord's duty to maintain a fit premises, which includes mold.

## Lowest Tier States (grey on the map)

#### Alabama

 Alabama references basic EPA mold and moisture guidelines but does not provide any other guidance or regulations around mold or mold remediation in the state.

## Alaska

- The Municipality of Anchorage recognizes the "presence of significant visible mold in hotels and other visitor accommodations" as a public nuisance (source).
- The Alaska Department of Health and Human Services has some mold resources on its website; however, there are no mold remediation regulations in the state.

# • American Samoa

No information was found on mold regulations.



## Arizona

o Arizona provides online mold FAQs but does not indicate any regulations around mold remediation.

## Arkansas

- o A Mold Investigation Advisory Board in Arkansas recommended not creating legislation or regulation around mold remediation in 2012.
- Arkansas provides basic information about mold online but does not have existing regulations.

## California

- California has relatively extensive guidance about mold on their website regarding the dangers of mold and how to address a mold problem, including directing citizens to organizations like the IICRC that certify mold remediators.
- While there are no mold remediation regulations in the state, California does include mold in the California Residential Building Code as a condition that makes a home substandard (source).

## Colorado

 Colorado has minimal information regarding mold available online and does not have existing mold remediation regulations.

#### Delaware

 Delaware provides basic guidance about mold online but does not have existing mold remediation regulations.

# Georgia

 Georgia regulates mold in tourist accommodations but not in other dwellings. The state does not have mold remediation regulations.

#### Guam

o No specific mold remediation guidelines were found.

# • Hawai'i

- Hawai'i provides a list of IAQ service providers but notes that the list is for guidance only. They also have a handful of mold guidance documents on their site.
- Hawai'i does not have mold remediation regulations.

#### Idaho

 Idaho provides some information on mold online but does not have mold remediation regulations.

#### Illinois

o Illinois does not have mold remediation regulations; however, the Mold Remediation Registration Act passed in 2007 requires that the Illinois Department of Public Health annually report "any federal research and regulations related to mold cleanup and standards for mold remediation training" (source).



## Indiana

 Indiana provides links to external sources regarding mold (one of the links is currently dead). The state does not note any mold remediation regulations.

# lowa

 lowa provides minimal mold guidance online and does not have any mold remediation regulations.

#### Kansas

Provides the link to the EPA's Mold Resources page.

## Louisiana

- To be licensed as a Mold Remediator, the applicant must 24 hours of approved training.
- Training providers are approved, rather than specific training programs/certifications.

#### Maine

 Maine provides a fact sheet on mold but does not have specific mold remediation regulations.

#### Massachusetts

 Massachusetts provides fairly extensive mold resources but does not have specific mold remediation regulations.

# Michigan

 Michigan's Department of Health and Human Services provides a resource page that includes links to relevant CDC and EPA articles but does not have specific mold remediation rules.

## Minnesota

 The MN Department of Health has a resource page that includes links to relevant sources created by the EPA and the CDC.

# Mississippi

 The Mississippi Department of Health has a Q&A section and links to a CDC page.

# Missouri

 The state provides some resources on mold but does not have specific mold remediation rules.

#### Montana

o The Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services provides a resource page with EPA and CDC links.

#### Nebraska

The state provides some resource documents but does not have specific mold remediation regulations.

# Nevada

The Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health has a resource page with relevant EPA and CDC links.



## New Mexico

 New Mexico only has an informational page on its state department of health website.

# North Carolina: D

o The Department of Health and Human Services has a resource page.

## North Dakota

North Dakota provides a resource page.

## Northern Mariana Islands

- o In 2018, \$7 million was allocated to mold remediation
- Other than the monies allocated in 2018, there has been no recent legislation regarding mold. There is no information page to inform residents of the dangers of mold or the importance of remediating it.

#### Oklahoma

- The state has a resource page that provides information surrounding the dangers of mold
- There has been no legislation introduced by the Oklahoma legislature regarding mold.

# Pennsylvania

- o No resource page provides information surrounding the dangers of mold
- SB 635 was introduced that would offer financing opportunities to building owners who make repairs to increase indoor air quality.
- Due to SB 635, the state is aware of issues relating to mold, but there has been no mold-specific legislation introduced in the state legislature.

## Rhode Island

 The state has a resource page that provides information about the dangers of mold

# South Dakota

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## Tennessee

- The state has a resource page that provides information about the dangers of mold
- Tennessee has a specialty license for mold remediation as part of their larger licensing regulation.

## • US Virgin Islands

 The territory has no resource page that provides information about the dangers of mold

# Utah

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## Washington

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# • West Virginia

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# Wyoming

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