



WHAT IS RADON?

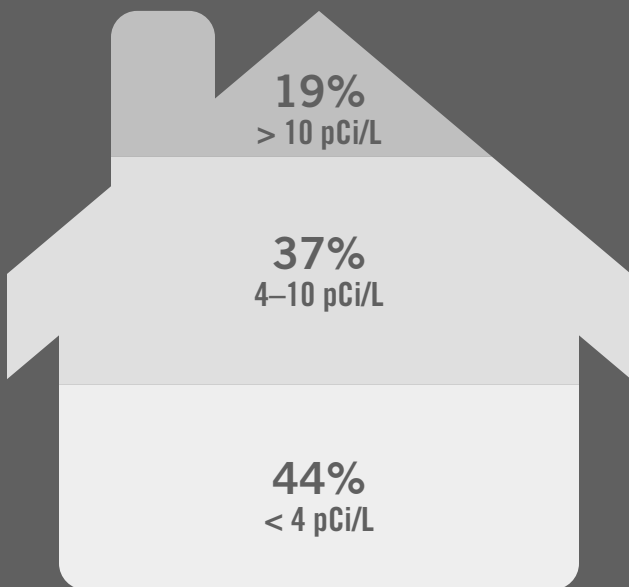
Radon is an invisible, odorless, radioactive gas emitted during the natural decay of uranium in the soil. Homes pull in radon gas through cracks and openings in basements, crawl spaces and slabs. Levels vary between homes and have nothing to do with age, quality or upkeep.

WHY IS RADON A CONCERN?

According to the EPA, radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer. There is no known “safe” exposure level. The EPA recommends mitigating over 4 pCi/L, and also recommends considering mitigation for levels between 2 pCi/L and 4 pCi/L.

HOW DO I TEST FOR RADON?

1. The City of Fort Collins sells low-cost short and long-term radon test kits. You can buy them at the following location:
Fort Collins Senior Center 1200 Raintree Dr.
2. Have a Healthy Homes Assessment. These free assessments provide a comprehensive look at factors in your home related to indoor air quality, health and safety. Each assessment includes a free short-term radon test kit. Visit fcgov.com/healthyhomes to arrange an assessment.



44% of homes test below 4 pCi/L..... EPA acceptable level
 37% of homes test between 4 and 10 pCi/L..... Action recommended
 19% of homes test above 10 pCi/L Action highly recommended
 (Data from 2015-2019 Air Chek results)

SHORT-TERM TEST KITS

These kits measure radon for three to seven days. A short-term test is easy to use, and provides a “snapshot” of the radon levels in your home during the testing period.

LONG-TERM TEST KITS

These tests measure radon for three months to a year - a good choice to find the average level of radon in your home over long periods of time.

HOW DO I MITIGATE?

Hire a radon professional. For a list of local certified contractors, visit fcgov.com/radon.



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