



Radon-What Is It?

Radon is an invisible, radioactive gas created from natural deposits of uranium in the soil. Radon gas can be drawn into a building and accumulate to concentrations that can cause a health concern. Finding high levels of radon in the home has nothing to do with the age, quality, or upkeep of the home.

Don't despair if you find elevated radon concentrations!

Reliable reduction techniques have been developed that will effectively control radon in buildings.

Radon Pointers:

- ❖ Homes with radon can be reliably reduced to levels less than 4.0 pCi/L; one of the threshold measurements used to determine concentrations of radon.
- ❖ Most systems can be installed in one day by a qualified contractor.
- ❖ The repairs take a minimum of 24 hours to take effect before retesting can occur.
- ❖ Radon concentrations can be found in any home, regardless of its age.
- ❖ Although more and more builders are installing radon systems, do not assume that your home has a radon system.

Lake State Inspection has testing equipment for radon.

The testing usually takes 48 hours if all testing requirements are met.

See "Price" page for testing costs: http://www.lsillc.net/pricing_information.htm or call our office telephone number at the bottom of this page or order on line:

http://www.lsillc.net/order_inspection.htm

Publications/Brochures available from LSI:

- ❖ Home Buyer's and Seller's Guide to Radon
Published by the United States Environmental Protection Agency
- ❖ Dealing With Radon in Real Estate Transactions
Prepared by the Western Regional Radon Training Center at the University of Colorado

Links to agencies with more information about radon:

EPA Map of Radon Zones

<http://www.epa.gov/radon/zonemap.html>

"A Citizen's Guide to Radon: The Guide to Protecting Yourself and Your Family From Radon (4th ed.)"

<http://www.epa.gov/radon/pubs/citguide.html>

"Home Buyer's and Seller's Guide to Radon"

<http://www.epa.gov/radon/pubs/hmbyguid.html>

"Consumer's Guide to Radon Reduction"

<http://www.epa.gov/radon/pubs/consguid.html>