

Radon Test Kit

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Rockaway Borough Radon Test kits

Rockaway Borough, NJ, -- Radon is a radioactive gas that occurs naturally when uranium and radium break down in the soil and in rock formations. Radon gas moves up through the soil and finds its way into homes through cracks in the foundation and openings around pumps, pipes and drains.

Radon is measured in picoCuries per liter (pCi/L) of air. The average U.S. indoor level is 1.3 pCi/L. At 4 pCi/L, the risk of lung cancer from radon is greater than the risk from fire or other home accidents. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the DEP recommend that action be taken to reduce radon levels if the level in the home is greater than or equal to 4 pCi/L.

Residents who received a Radon test kit from the Rockaway Borough Health Department this year should be sure to perform the test prior to December 31, 2018. If performed after this date the test may be invalid due to the expiration date of December 31, 2018.

For more information on radon, contact **Randolph Township Health Department at 973-989-7050** or the DEP Radon Program at (800) 648-0394 or visit www.njradon.org