

Radiological Health Program

RADON BULLETIN

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Radon Testing and Mitigation

This guidance is being reissued due to a change in Section 32.1-229.01 of the *Code of Virginia* and applies to all persons who conduct or offer any radon screening, testing or mitigation in the Commonwealth. Effective July 1, 2015:

A. No person shall conduct or offer to conduct any radon screening, testing, or mitigation in the Commonwealth unless he (i) is listed as a professional by either the National Radon Proficiency Program or the National Radon Safety Board or (ii) meets any other proficiency measures deemed acceptable by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency or the Board of Health for the purpose of offering such screening, testing, or mitigation.

The qualification requirements for radon professionals do not apply to the following:

- 1) Home owners testing their respective homes;
- 2) Businesses, such as hardware stores, that sell radon test kits, as long as they neither place the test kits nor provide the test results directly to the customer;
- 3) School employees who conduct radon testing incidental to their employment with the school; and,
- 4) Builders who install a passive radon mitigation system during the construction of a home

The qualification requirements apply only to radon testing in indoor air. These requirements do not apply to soil measurements or radon in water analysis.

Citizens are now advised to consult the websites of the National Radon Safety Board (www.nrsb.org) or the National Radon Proficiency Program (www.nrpp.info) to access up to date lists of radon measurement or mitigation professionals who reside in the Commonwealth of Virginia, bordering states, or both.