

## RADON GAS TESTING *Getting the Most Accurate Results*

Testing for Radon Gas is not complicated. A reliable test result depends on the cooperation of the home's occupants. Disturbing or interfering with the test device, or with closed-house conditions, may invalidate the test results and is illegal in some states.

In order to begin a Radon test, the home's lowest livable area (finished or unfinished basement, or if no basement, first floor level) must remain closed for at least 12 hours prior to testing.

During a Radon test:

- Do not open any windows. Do not open any external or basement to first floor doors except for normal momentary entering and exiting. (Windows must be kept closed because they can create negative pressure in the lower portions of the dwelling due to the warm air escaping or the direction of the wind, which can raise or lower the Radon levels.)
- Do not touch, cover, move or alter the performance of any Radon detectors or non-interference controls.
- Do not operate any whole house fan(s). Do not use any fireplace(s) or wood stove(s), unless they are the primary heat source.
- Operate heating and air conditioning normally. Turn off and keep off any equipment that supplies fresh air to the home unless it is make up air to a combustion appliance.

Note:

The dryer, range hood, bathroom fan or attic ventilating fan can be operated. This equipment should only be operated normally because any exhaust fan or any combustion appliance may increase the negative pressure in the dwelling, which can raise or lower the Radon concentration.

Please contact Altamont Inspections, LLC at 828-654-0033 if there are any questions or concerns.

Thank you for helping us obtain the most accurate Radon gas test results possible.

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