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### **MOLD FACTS AND HINTS**

What you need to know about mold;

Healthy people usually have nothing to worry about.

If you're immunosuppressed or have allergies or asthma, it can be problematic, so states Centers for Disease control and Prevention (CDC). Other than that, mold isn't that dangerous. That is not to say you should not worry about it because you should.

The CDC doesn't even recommend testing mold, because if it's a problem to the occupants, it should be removed no matter what kind it is. And you don't need a remediation company for small areas. Just clean nonporous surfaces with soap and water, followed by a solution of one cup of bleach mixed with one gallon of water. To control future growth, eliminate excess moisture by keeping humidity levels between 40 and 60 percent. Promptly fix leaky roofs, windows and pipes, and ventilate shower, laundry and cooking areas.

The CDC ([www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)) and Environmental Protection Agency ([www.epa.gov](http://www.epa.gov)) have plenty of good information on their sites—for free.

No matter what repair you need, getting the right contractor is key to your project.

Talk to friends, neighbors and associates, but also to materials suppliers, who best know contractors. Check out contractors at the Better Business Bureau and Consumer Affairs Department of your state attorney general offices.

Ask for proof of liability and workers compensation insurance and check to see it is current, if required, a home improvement license. Be sure to call references.

Review the contract carefully so you know how project changes and additional costs will be handled.

If you can visit one of the contractors current projects to see how they handle the work site and cleanup.

Do not let the contractor get ahead of payments be careful.

If you have questions call Superior Community Management for assistance.