

Reducing Radon Levels in Multifamily Buildings

Basement Foundation



Radon is an odorless and invisible radioactive gas that is naturally released from soil, water, and rocks into the air.

Over time, breathing in high

levels of radon increases the risk of lung cancer. There are no immediate symptoms of radon exposure.

Radon enters buildings through cracks in walls and floors and can travel through stairwells and elevator shafts. Radon levels are highest in basements and rooms at ground level. However, high levels can sometimes be found in upper level rooms.

Radon levels can be reduced (mitigated) by sealing cracks in walls and floors and installing a system that directs radon coming from the ground away from the building through a pipe.

