

# Making Sense of your Radon Test Results

Next steps to protect your family

## Step 1: Be clear about what you tested

Before you look at the numbers, be sure you know:

- Whether results are for water or air or both
- Whether water test results were for a private well. You need a radon water test *only* for well water, not for town or public supply.

If you are on well water and tested just your water, keep in mind that you also need to test your air.

## Step 2: Pay attention to the numbers. Don't worry about "pCi/L"

The letters **pCi/L** are short for "picocuries per liter." This is a measurement scientists use. What matters to you are the **numbers**. Don't worry about those letters after the numbers.

## Step 3: Make wise treatment decisions.

If you are on well water, be sure to test both your water and your air. You need results from **both** to decide whether and how to treat a radon problem.

High levels of radon in water and air can be reduced to fall within safety guidelines. Treating a radon problem is a smart health investment.

## Understand Well Water Test Results

Safe levels of radon in well water measure **below** 4,000 pCi/L. If your **well water number** is:

- **10,000 or higher**  
You need a treatment system (list on back).
- **Between 4,000 and 10,000** – maybe treat  
Call us to discuss: 1-800-232-0842.
- **4,000 or lower**  
Retest in 3 to 5 years.

## Understand Air Test Results

Short-term tests (48-60 hours) are the most common, often done before homes are sold. If your **air test number** is:

- **4 or higher**  
You need a treatment system (list on back).
- **Between 2 and 4** – maybe treat  
Call us to discuss: 1-800-232-0842.
- **Below 2** and you tested in cold weather with the heat on—retest in 3 to 5 years. If you tested in warmer weather when heat is off, test again in cold weather when heat is on.

## Radon Gas: the 2nd leading cause of lung cancer



Radon is a serious health risk. Natural levels of radon are high in Maine. Technology can usually reduce radon air levels to below 2 and easily reduce water levels to below 4,000—the safest levels.

If you need to reduce radon levels in your home, be aware that contractors must be registered to reduce radon in water or air or both. See the list on back.

If radon is tested as part of buying or selling a house, a registered radon tester **MUST** be used.

## Learn More. Request Radon Tip Sheets.

- Check this website: [www.MaineRadiationControl.org](http://www.MaineRadiationControl.org)
- Call for advice: **1-800-232-0842** • TTY: **800-606-0215**



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# CONTRACTORS REGISTERED TO PROVIDE RADON AIR AND WATER TREATMENT

## Southern Maine (Greater Portland, south & west)

Aaron Radon Mitigation  
Saco, Maine  
207-282-6026  
Air & Water treatment

Henningsen Inspections, LLC  
Eliot, Maine  
207-730-1686  
Air & Water treatment

Safe Water and Air  
Raymond, Maine  
207-655-1071  
Air & Water treatment

Air and Water Quality, Inc.  
Freeport, Maine  
800-698-9655  
Air & Water treatment

Maine Radon Removal  
Falmouth, Maine  
207-781-2856  
Air & Water treatment

Ward Plumbing  
Steep Falls, Maine  
207-675-3272  
Water treatment

Atlantic Water Solutions  
Alfred, Maine  
207-651-2787  
Water treatment

Radon Rangers, Inc.  
Denmark, Maine  
207-452-8378  
Air treatment

Water Treatment Equipment, Inc.  
Yarmouth, Maine  
800-328-7328  
Air & Water treatment

A & B Water Consultants  
Meredith, NH  
603-279-0501  
Water Treatment

Radon Removal Systems  
Westbrook, Maine  
800-640-8889  
Air treatment

Dunbar Water Pumps & Filters  
Wells, Maine  
866-426-2273  
Water Treatment

Radon Systems LLC  
E. Waterboro, Maine  
207-247-8181  
Air treatment

**Updated 4/2/09**  
Registrations Valid to 10/1/09  
Some companies may have registered since this update.  
For a current list see  
[www.MaineRadiationControl.org](http://www.MaineRadiationControl.org)  
Please call **1-800-232-0842** to let us know if you have a problem contacting a company listed here.

## Central Maine (Mid-coast & west)

Advanced Quality Water Solutions  
Brunswick, Maine  
207-721-8620  
Water treatment

Goodwin Well & Water Inc.  
North Turner, Maine  
207-224-7861  
Water treatment

Maine Professional Inspections  
Chelsea, Maine  
207-623-2251  
Air & Water treatment

Affordable Water Treatment  
Litchfield, Maine  
207-268-2987  
Water treatment

Haskell's Water Treatment  
Rockland, Maine  
207-594-4947  
Water treatment

Radon Done Right, LLC  
Lewiston, Maine  
866-997-2366  
Air treatment

Aqua-Max of Maine  
Lewiston, Maine  
207-782-1005  
Water treatment

Maine Coast Construction  
Camden, Maine  
207-236-6000  
Air treatment

The Water Doctors, LLC  
Brunswick, Maine  
207-443-8080  
Air & Water treatment

## Northern & Eastern Maine

Civil Engineering Services, Inc.  
Brewer, Maine  
207-989-4824  
(In Presque Isle : 207-764-8412)  
Air & Water treatment

Safe Home Environment  
Bangor, Maine  
207-941-9515  
Air & Water treatment

Water Check of Maine  
Bar Harbor, Maine  
207-288-9011  
Water treatment

Norlen's Water Treatment Service  
Orrington, Maine  
207-825-4964  
Air & Water treatment

The Maine Radon Mitigation Company, LLC  
Hamden, Maine  
207-249-8726  
Air & Water treatment

**Remember: Maine Law requires that electrical or plumbing work for a radon system must be installed by a licensed electrician or plumber.**

**Protect your family. Learn. Test. Treat if needed.**

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