

HINTS FOR HOMEOWNERS

Tips On Eliminating Mold In Your Home

(NAPSA)—If you're ever worried about mold in your home, you have lots of company. In a recent survey by CertainTeed Corporation, 55 percent of the respondents expressed the same concern.



You'll breathe a lot easier if you know how to get rid of the mold in your home.

According to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the New York City Health Department, homeowners can minimize the risk of mold by keeping these tips in mind:

- Fix any water leaks.
- Reduce indoor humidity (to 30 to 60 percent) to decrease mold growth.
- Clean and dry any damp furnishings within 24 to 48 hours to prevent mold growth.
- Clean hard surfaces with water and detergent. Dry completely.
- Prevent condensation on cold surfaces by adding fiber glass insulation.
- If constructing a new home, ask your builder about products to minimize the potential for moisture and mold growth such as MemBrain, a smart vapor retarder placed inside wall cavities. It allows excess moisture that gets into wall cavities to escape.