

Whether the property is new or old, there is always a possibility mold could be present. Be alert, pay attention, and ask questions when walking through a potential property.

## KEEP YOUR EYES PEELED HOUSE WIDE...

- Areas with musty or mildew-like smells
- Areas of water damage
- Areas of discoloration on the walls, floor, and ceiling
- Rooms that may have been or are home to indoor plants
- Areas of high moisture or humidity
- Staining, discoloration, or leaks around windows
- Peeling wallpaper
- Buckling wood floors
- Poor caulking around sinks, tubs, toilets, and showers
- Old or worn roof
- Poor landscape drainage



### Remember...

A mold inspection is very specific and should be done by a qualified professional.

# DID YOU KNOW?

**The cleanest, most well-kept homes can have mold!**

Just because you don't see it doesn't mean it's not there. It can grow inside the walls, under the floor, and in the ceiling.



**Mold can cause chronic health issues, asthma, and allergies.**



**If unaddressed, mold can destroy the structure of a home.**

Mold thrives in damp, dark areas and on building materials such as drywall, wood, carpet and padding, ceiling tiles, insulation, and more.

## SPACES AND PLACES TO ZERO IN ON

### ATTICS OR CRAWL SPACES

- Look for roof leaks
- Check around skylights, windows, chimneys, and roof valleys
- Check around any plumbing stacks and dryer or bathroom vents





## KITCHEN & BATHROOMS – CHECK AROUND

- Sinks
- Toilets
- Showers
- Bathtubs
- Under cabinets
- Behind refrigerators
- Behind and below dishwashers



## HEATING AND COOLING - CHECK AROUND

- Air conditioner and heating units
- Ducts and inlets
- Evaporator, blower, and coils



## BASEMENT – LOOK FOR

- Foundation leaks
- Standing water
- Stains on the floors, wall, and ceiling
- Dampness around the sump pump
- Around the basement stairs
- Around anything stored in the basement



## ASK QUESTIONS

- Ask your home inspector to look for mold and moisture when performing their inspection
- Ask the real estate agent if they know of any issues with the property
- Ask the seller to disclose any mold or moisture related information

## HOW CAN MOLD INSPECTION SCIENCES HELP PROTECT YOUR INVESTMENT?

Our science-based inspection and testing services performed by our experienced and certified inspectors help discover and pinpoint exactly what's going on with your property. No, we do not perform any mold remediation, but we will recommend the next steps to secure proper mold removal and can recommend third-party remediation contractors if needed.

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**CONTACT US TODAY AT 800.619.MOLD (6653)!**

We want to meet your needs as swiftly as we can while working to identify what's what's going on in your home. If you have any more questions about the inspection process or your investment in protecting your property, please don't hesitate to contact us.

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