

RADON

The questions about radon come up every now and again. It is nothing new. It is a colorless, odorless gas that comes up naturally from decaying matter deep in the earth. It's been there forever. There is a certain amount of it everywhere. Prolonged, continuous breathing of this gas can cause some health issues to certain people. Generally, it has no short-term affect and then only to certain people on a long-term basis. Smokers are at the highest risk. The units on the upper level of the Fountains condos have a very much reduced chance of a high-test reading. If you are concerned about a high level of radon gas being present in your unit, here is the procedure: Call a company named Soil Solutions at 503. 234. 2118 and tell them you want to have your unit tested. You and Soil Solutions work out the details of your test. They have agreed that one of their 48-hour electronic tests that would cost you approximately \$165.00 will give a good long-term idea of the level of radon in your unit. Soil Solutions will be able to give us an immediate level reading.

Please do not use a cheap, short-term test. The board will not recognize a noncompliant test. If an elevated risk of a high level of the gas is found in your unit, Soil Solutions and the board and you will discuss what is necessary to mitigate the gas. Mitigation can be done by working inside of your unit, and a permanent unit installed on the outside of your unit. We don't want to frighten you! People have come and gone on the earth with very, very little notice of this gas. There has been some talk of it lately. A representative from Soil Solutions will be at our Annual Meeting with information for you and to answer questions.

To summarize: The testing is done at your prerogative and expense. It is your unit and you decide if you want it tested.

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