



Did you know?

Mold depends on moisture to grow. Mold can trigger asthma and allergy

Mold

Action Plan

- Reduce moisture and increase ventilation (airflow): open windows slightly when showering, use exhaust fans.
- Fix water leaks. Renters, report leaks to your landlord.
- If you see mold:
 - Eliminate the source of moisture/water first.
 - Scrub mold from hard surfaces with soap and water, dry completely.
 - Avoid using bleach (unless you are cleaning sewage).
 - Do not paint over mold.
 - Discard moldy objects (like carpets).
- After a flood or water leak: remove wet items and dry the area within 48 hours.
- If mold covers over 3ft x 3ft, hire a professional mold abatement company. If you rent, report mold to your landlord. If conditions are not fixed, ask your local

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building department or code enforcement official to inspect your home for water damage or leaks.

Resources

Learn more about identifying and getting rid of mold:
epa.gov/mold

For more information visit:
<https://icahn.mssm.edu/research/pehsu/us-virgin-islands-puerto-rico/spanish>

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