



Web-Based Information on Radon for Realtors

The following are some good sources of information on radon in Canada, for those who want to look more deeply.

Links have been verified to be good as of January 4, 2022.

General Information

Dr. Aaron Goodarzi's talk "Radon in Our Homes: The Science Behind the Danger" offers an excellent and engaging introduction to radon (in 12 minutes) and we highly recommend showing this video.

Health Canada's Radon Reduction Guide for Canadians is also an excellent resource and we recommend handing this out to clients. It is available online; however we understand that Health Canada can make this available to realtors to give a hard copy to their clients. Contact Health Canada's Regional Radiation Specialist for BC, Yalda Yavari, yalda.yavari@canada.ca.

The Canadian Federal Government's Radon Information landing page

The Government of Canada publication "Radon gas: It's in your home" offers a good introduction.

Information for smokers can be found in a resource called "Radon - Another Reason to Quit"

The US EPA has a Citizen's Guide to Radon

The World Health Organization has a landing page for radon titled "Radon and health"

There are many Canadian government reports and publications on radon that are freely accessible. The radon information starts halfway down the page after the parent topic "Radiation"

In 2018 CAREX Canada and the Canadian Environmental Law Association produced a detailed analysis of <u>law and policy of radon in Canada and Europe</u>

Key Radon Organizations in Canada

<u>Take Action on Radon</u> (TAOR)--A Health Canada funded radon education and awareness program.

Canadian National Radon Proficiency Program

Canadian Association of Radon Scientists and Technologists

Maps, Professionals, and Test Kits

Cross Canada Survey of Radon Concentrations in Homes (2012)

BC Centre for Disease Control's up to date interactive radon map for BC

To find a radon mitigation professional, visits the Canadian National Radon Proficiency Program (CNRPP) Find a Professional

BC Lung Foundation sells <u>test kits</u>, with the advantage that results will contribute to public databases and maps for BC Communities

Specific Resources for Realtors

BC Financial Services Authority Radon Precautions Information

British Columbia Real Estate Association FAQ on Radon

BC Lung Foundation's Recommendations for Real Estate Licensees

Canadian Real Estate Association's "Homeowners Guide to Radon"

Real Estate Council of Alberta Information Bulletin on Radon

Real Estate Council of Alberta's Radon Checklists for Real Estate Licensees

About Our Program

The British Columbia Lung Foundation (BCLF) works to save lives by improving lung health and preventing lung disease, through research, education, and advocacy. BCLF has a history of promoting education and awareness on radon, including hosting regional radon workshops, and running Radon Aware, a branded public education and advocacy program (see http://www.radonaware.ca). In 2018 we started the Healthy Indoor Environments program (HIE) to focus on education, training, knowledge translation and advocacy around ensuring everyone in British Columbia has a healthy home. To date our core focus has been on radon gas exposure and finding ways to reduce it. Reach us at: healthyindoor@bclung.ca

From June to December 2019 HIE engaged in research, outreach and advocacy around <u>Radon in Real Estate</u>.

For information about webinars for your organization or interviews, please contact Dr. Noah Quastel at nquastel@bclung.ca

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