



NAVAL SUPPORT ACTIVITY NAPLES



Radon Assessment Awareness

Background

A radon survey will be occurring at select buildings and offices at Naval Support Activity Naples from August 2024 to August 2025.

Radon occurs naturally in the environment. It is a colorless, odorless, tasteless, radioactive gas that forms from the natural breakdown (radioactive decay) of uranium found in soil and rocks. The gas migrates into the air and can become dangerous to human health if trapped in the air within buildings or homes for prolonged periods.

The U.S. Surgeon General warns that radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer in the U.S. and that more than 20,000 Americans die of radon-related lung cancer each year (U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, 2005). The U.S. EPA estimates that up to eight million homes in the U.S. may have radon levels over the action level of 4.0 picocuries per liter (pCi/L) due to cracks in the foundation, floor drains, sump pumps, and any other openings.

This survey will allow for the identification of any potential radon concerns and address them in a timely manner. This survey is a proactive measure to ensure the health and well-being of all Naval Support Activity Naples personnel and residents.

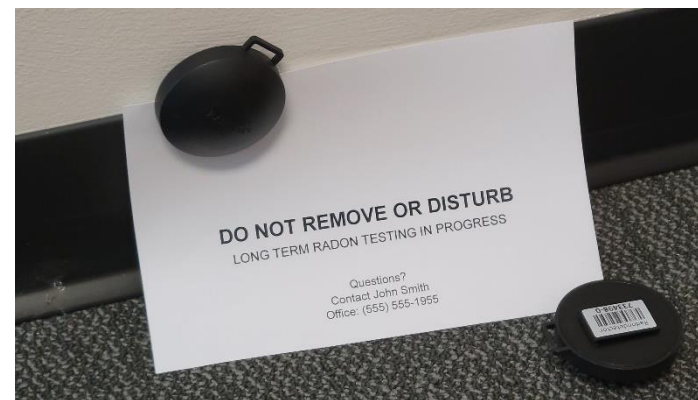
Measurement Devices

Radon measurement devices will be deployed by qualified contractors in certain buildings and rooms at Naval Support Activity Naples in accordance with the Navy Radon Assessment and Mitigation Program (NAVRAMP).

These devices only record radon levels. They do not contain cameras or microphones and are completely silent. Radon measurement devices pose no health risks to individuals near the devices.

The devices will remain in place for approximately one year. Please do not disturb these devices in any way. This includes covering them or placing any device that moves air (such as a fan) near them.

What to do if a Device Falls



If the testing placard is found on the ground, please re-attach the placard to the wall with additional adhesive as close to its original location as possible. Use the clip on the back of the radon detectors to re-affix them to the top of the placard.



Pictured above are two radon testing devices as they may be deployed around Naval Support Activity Naples.

If you have any questions about the radon survey, please contact John Ladd at 314-626-6644 or john.s.ladd2.civ@us.navy.mil.

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