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State Law that requires Radon Testing in Residential Rental Buildings (14 MRSA §6030-D).

The law took effect in September of 2009 and required that all residential rental buildings complete radon testing by March 1, 2014 and like many laws, there may be questions regarding its requirements.

**Any questions on this should be directed to the State Radon Program page on the web.** <http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/mecdc/environmental-health/rad/radon/hp-radon.htm> or you may contact the Radon office by phone at 1-800-232-0842.

There is a FAQ on that page that will answer many of the most common questions. Here is the link to the FAQ page: <http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/mecdc/environmental-health/rad/radon/documents/Rental%20FAQ.pdf>.

If a tenant complains that they have not received a copy of the report from the landlord, this is a Warranty of Habitability issue in accordance with section 6021 of the law. Recourse for the tenant is to bring the landlord to court as a civil infraction. This, like in any civil dispute, the municipality has no role in other than to pass on any information we have available to any party that asks.

Below are a few links for tenants needing information of their rights as renters.

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