



SafeAir Certified Mold Inspection Releases Atlanta Mold Report Guide

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SafeAir Certified Mold Inspection Inc. has published "Mold Assessment Reports After Water Damage: What to Keep," a guide for property owners in the Atlanta area. The resource explains which records to retain and how an assessment report can support decisions after water damage.

The guide distinguishes an inspection from mold testing and remediation. An inspection reviews accessible conditions, moisture evidence, and the property's water damage history. Testing involves collecting samples for laboratory analysis when a specific question calls for it. Remediation addresses affected materials and moisture-related causes under a separate scope. An assessment may include inspection, testing, or both, depending on the building and the decision the owner needs to make.

"A report is more useful when it shows what was inspected, what was observed, and where the limits are," said Alex Laldin, marketing director at SafeAir Certified Mold Inspection Inc. "Owners also need to keep the records from the water incident. Those details give later findings the context they need."

SafeAir's guidance recommends keeping a timeline of the incident, photographs, invoices, drying records, and repair details. Property owners can also gather records of earlier leaks, roof problems, plumbing failures, or flooding before an inspection. Notes about persistent odors, humidity, condensation, or changing conditions can help identify areas that need attention. Prior inspection and remediation reports provide further context when they are available. These records help establish what happened before the inspector arrived and what work has already been completed.

The scope of an assessment depends on the building and the question the owner needs answered. Inspectors may review accessible interiors, moisture-prone areas, crawl spaces, attics, exterior drainage, and known water damage locations. Observations related to heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems may also form part of the review. Moisture meters and other tools can support those observations. No tool can establish the condition of every concealed space, so the report should identify areas that could not be assessed. Its conclusions should reflect the evidence collected within that scope.

Sampling serves a different purpose from visual and moisture observations. According to the guide, samples can help characterize collected material or compare selected environments when there is a defined reason to collect them. Air sampling is not required for every inspection. When testing is performed, the report should connect each laboratory result to its sampling location and explain why the sample was taken. Results without that context may leave an owner with numbers that do not answer the original question.

The guide also describes what a useful assessment report should contain. It should name the areas inspected, record observed conditions, state any limits on the inspection, and include supporting photographs or measurements where applicable. Recommended next steps should follow from the evidence gathered. The report should distinguish a documented condition from an indicator that calls for more review. A surface that looks clean does not, by itself, establish that hidden materials dried properly. A suspected problem should likewise not be reported as confirmed mold without evidence.

Commercial building assessments may require coordination with a building contact to reach mechanical rooms, roof or ceiling areas, tenant spaces, and storage rooms. Maintenance and leak histories can help the inspector understand when and where water entered the building. Records of occupant complaints may also identify locations that warrant review. Scheduling should preserve access to relevant spaces while reducing disruption to building use.

After the assessment, owners should retain the report, laboratory documents, photographs, maintenance and repair records, and any follow-up verification. Together, those records preserve the history of the incident and the basis for later decisions. They also make it easier to distinguish the original water event from conditions observed during a later inspection.

SafeAir Certified Mold Inspection Inc. provides mold inspection, mold testing, and indoor air quality services for residential and commercial properties. The company is based in Atlanta, Georgia.

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