

# FLORIDA SHORT TERM RADON TEST DATA SHEET

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All information must be provided.

Read and follow all instructions. Keep a copy of this Data Sheet for your records.

Radon Test Site	Owner Mailing Information
Property or Owner Name	Name
Street Address	Mailing Address
	CityStateZIP
City State ZIP	PhoneFax
County	Email
Building and Test Site Information	
<b>Building Type:</b> (Circle all that Apply) Residential - Non Residential - Day Care Home - Day Care Center - Foster Care Home - Public School - Private School - Other (specify)	
Structure Type: (Circle One) Single Level Home - Multi Level Home - Mobile Home - Townhouse - Apartment Other (specify) Age of Building: Year Built	
Foundation: (Circle all that apply) Basement - Crawlspace - Slab on Grade - Other	
<b>Test Purpose:</b> (Circle All That Apply) Initial Screening - Follow-Up Test - Real Estate Transaction - Post Mitigation - 5 year retest	
<b>Floor Tested:</b> (Circle One) Basement - 1 <sup>st</sup> Floor - 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor Name of Room Tested:	
<b>Closed House Conditions:</b> (Circle Two) Present at start of test? Yes - No Present at end of test? Yes - No Cooling System at normal setting during Measurement: Yes-No Heating System at normal setting during Measurement: Yes - No	
Indoor Conditions: (Check One for each or Record Actual)  Temperature Cold (<65°F) Normal Hot (>75°F)  Actual []	
Weather: (Circle Two) Raining? Yes - No Windy? Yes - No Average Temperature:	
	Serial #
WERE THE DEVICES PLACED SIDE BY SIDE, 4 inches apart? (Circle One) Yes - No	
Date Devices Opened/ Start tir	me:AM/PM
Date Devices Sealed/Stop time	
Person <i>Placing</i> the Devices:/	
*(Circle either Homeowner or Professional Tester) Homeowner Signature OR Professional Tester Signature and Certification #	
Person <u>Retrieving</u> the Devices:/	
*(Circle either Homeowner or Professional Tester) Homeowner Signature OR Professional Tester Signature and Certification #	

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR SHORT TERM RADON TESTING IN FLORIDA

\*\*Start test before expiration date on device or result will be invalid.\*\*

AccuStar Labs has developed these instructions according to Florida-Department of Health and the EPA. These instructions must be followed correctly in order to receive valid test results. <u>All the information requested on the Data Sheet is mandatory</u>. If you have questions about these instructions, call AccuStar Labs at 888-480-8812 before you begin the test.

Professional testers using AccuStar Labs test kits must be certified by Florida DoH and affiliated with AccuStar prior to testing. Certified testers must perform the required monthly amount of QC tests and must report these to AccuStar each month.

#### **Prepare to Test under Closed House Conditions**

It is very important to maintain "closed house conditions" for twelve hours before you start the test and during the entire testing because ventilation can increase or decrease radon levels in unpredictable ways. Keep all windows and doors closed except for normal entry and exit. Run Heating/Central Air Systems normally. Operate Air Conditioners (window units) in re-circulation or vent closed mode. DO NOT use attic and window fans, fireplaces and wood stoves (unless they are the primary heat source) for the duration of test.

## TEST RESULTS WILL BE INVALID IF CLOSED HOUSE CONDITIONS ARE NOT MAINTAINED.

#### **Select the Test Location and Place the Device**

- In the lowest livable level of the home that is used, or could be used, as a living space. This would include, for example, a 1<sup>st</sup> floor without a basement, and a finished or unfinished basement, but not a crawl space.
- In a location where it will not be disturbed.
- At least 20 inches from floor, at least 4 inches away from other objects and at least 36 inches away from doors, windows or other openings to the outside. The tests only need to be placed 1 foot away from exterior walls that have no openings. It should be in the general breathing zone.
- Attic and window fans, fireplaces and wood stoves (unless they are primary heat source) should not be used for the duration of the test. They will affect air pressure in the house, which will in turn affect radon concentrations.
- Air conditioners can be used if it circulates inside air rather than bringing in air from the outside.

#### Test kits should NOT be placed:

- In areas exposed to direct sunlight, drafts, high heat or high humidity; or
- In kitchens, bathrooms, laundry rooms or closets, on televisions, near lamps or other sources generating heat.

#### **How to Perform the Test**

Do not open the device until you are ready to test. AccuStar recommends a 48-hour exposure with a maximum of 96 hours.

- 1. For Canisters: Remove the vinyl tape from the canister and remove the lid. Put the lid on the bottom of can and place the tape around to hold lid to canister. This will keep lid and tape from being misplaced. Do not allow the tape to twist or pick up foreign material. For Vials: Remove vial cap and keep for replacing when test is complete.
- 2. Record the Serial Numbers from the device. RECORD THE OPEN DATE AND TIME ON THE DATA SHEET. INCLUDE AM OR PM. Sign the Data Sheet.
- 3. Place device on hard surface with open side up in the selected location. Save the package for returning the device.
- 4. After the recommended 48 hours, close the device and replace the vinyl tape around the <u>seams</u>. If the vinyl tape is lost, use electrical tape to seal. For vials, replace caps securely. <u>Do not expose the device for more than 96 hours</u>. RECORD THE CLOSE DATE AND TIME ON DATA SHEET. INCLUDE AM OR PM. Sign the data sheet. <u>Two signatures are required</u>.
- 5. Provide ALL information on the Data Sheet in order to receive results. Any corrections or additions to the data sheet must be sent to us in writing, by fax or email. There is a \$25.00 service charge for same day amendments.
- 6. Keep a copy of device numbers for your records and return datasheet with device to lab. Ensure mailing box is sealed.
- 7. MAIL TEST KIT IMMEDIATELY. WE MUST RECEIVE DEVICE WITHIN 8 DAYS FROM CLOSING DATE AND TIME. Most kits mailed to lab arrive within 3-5 days. However 1<sup>st</sup> Class Mail delivery is not guaranteed. If you need guaranteed delivery we recommend that you use UPS, FEDEX or Express Mail. If delivery is delayed more than 8 days NO results will be available. AccuStar is not responsible for delivery delays and will not replace kits.

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