



CHAIN OF CUSTODY

**For environmental samples*

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ENVIRONMENTAL COMPANY/CLIENT INFORMATION

Company/Client Name: _____ Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Company/Client Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Company/Client Contact Person: _____ Phone: _____ Ext: _____

Email for results: _____

PROJECT SAMPLE INFORMATION

Project Name: (unique name by client) _____ Date sample(s) collected: ____/____/____

Address where sample collected: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Sample collected by (print name): _____ Signature: _____

Sample shipped by (print name): _____ Signature: _____

Test Selection: **Environmental Mold & Mycotoxin Panel**

Sample

Sample Description (MAX 3)**please print clearly

** If more than one sample is submitted, it will be combined (up to 3 samples) into one test.

FOR LAB USE ONLY:

Specimens received by (print name): _____ Signature: _____

Date received ____ / ____ / ____ Via (courier): _____ Tracking #: _____ Payment: CC / Check / MO / Company CC / None

Notes

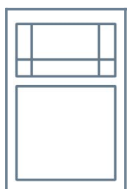
How to collect your sample

Note: cotton swabs and gauze are provided to collect samples from hard to reach areas

Preferred samples: Any **VISIBLE** mold or areas where there is water damage (present or past), dust from air conditioner filter, dust from air conditioner or heater vents/grates.

Amount: Thorough swab across the area(s) of concern with one or more of the included swabs or gauze pad.

Many homes do not have central air conditioners or furnaces with filters. Below you can find a few suggestions on how and where to collect your sample from:



Window sills
(if there is visible mold, use moist cotton swabs)



Swab from the back of refrigerators (or vents)



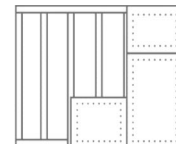
Dust from behind or under furniture



Swab of vacuum cleaner's filter



Swab from inside a humidifier



Sheetrock or drywall (avoid painted surfaces)

Mold can grow in many places inside your home, especially in damp, dark, and poorly ventilated areas.

Signs of Mold Growth

- Musty, damp smell
- Visible mold spots (black, green, white, or orange)
- Peeling paint or wallpaper
- Water stains or discoloration
- Increased allergy symptoms (sneezing, coughing, headaches)

How to Prevent and Remove Mold

- Fix leaks and improve ventilation
- Use dehumidifiers in damp areas
- Regularly clean and dry affected surfaces
- Use mold-resistant paint and materials
- Clean with vinegar, hydrogen peroxide, or mold removers