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# Oconto County Public Health Offering Discounted Radon Tests

Public Health partners with local municipalities to offer \$5 radon tests to help prevent lung cancer

**Oconto, WI (1/7/2025)** – Oconto County Public Health is lowering the price of radon tests to encourage Oconto County residents to test for radon gas in their homes. The easy to use tests will be for sale at the discounted price of \$5 per test. This sale will run through the entire month of January, which is National Radon Action Month. To make it even easier to get a radon test, several Oconto County municipalities have partnered with Public Health and will sell the test kits at their locations though January. You can get a test kit at the following locations:

#### Abrams

• Abrams Town Hall: 920-826-2299

# Gillett

• Gillett City Hall: 920-855-2255

# Little Suamico

- Chase Town Hall: 920-562-3957
- Little Suamico Town Hall: 920-826-7655

# Mountain

- Mountain Town Hall: 715-276-6474
- Riverview Town Hall: 715-276-6914

- Oconto
  - Little River Town Hall: 920-834-3617
  - Oconto County Courthouse; Building C 3rd floor: 920-834-7000

# Pound

• Brazeau Town Hall: 920-897-3855

# Townsend

• Townsend Town Hall: 715-276-6856

For more information and addresses for these locations, visit <u>https://www.co.oconto.wi.us/474/Municipalities</u>

Public Health is sharing these additional reminders about the discounted radon test kits:

- For an extra fee, test kits can be mailed from the Oconto County Courthouse only. Please call 920-834-7000 for more information.
- Anyone with a home in Oconto County (cabins too!) can buy a test kit from any of these locations.
- You are welcome to buy a test kit at your nearest location; you do not have to live in that municipality. You can even buy a test kit for a friend or family member!
- Hours vary by location. Please verify that the location will be open before traveling to it.

Radon is a radioactive gas from the ground that can enter your home through tiny cracks in the foundation. Radon causes 21,000 lung cancer deaths nationwide each year and approximately 962 of these deaths are in Wisconsin. Fortunately, this cause of lung cancer is largely preventable. The first step is to test. Pick up a radon test kit at one of the locations listed above to learn about the radon level in your home! For more information please visit <u>https://www.ocph.info/radon/</u>