

# List of further reading and useful contacts

## **Defra – DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS**

DEFRA have published a series of guides on radon. Free copies can be obtained by writing to:

**Defra Publications, Admail 6000,  
London SW1A 2XX, Tel 08459 556000,  
Fax 020 8957 5012, Email [defra@iforcegroup.com](mailto:defra@iforcegroup.com)**

*Radon: you can test for it*

*Radon – a householder's guide*

*Radon – a guide to reducing levels in your home*

*Radon – a guide to homebuyers and sellers*

## **BRE – BUILDING RESEARCH ESTABLISHMENT LTD**

**Building Research Establishment Ltd,  
Garston, Watford WD25 9XX**

BRE have been carrying out research into the building aspects of radon for the UK government since the early 1980s, and can provide impartial, practical and effective advice about construction work to reduce radon levels. For further information and guidance you can write to the above address or contact:

**BRE Radon Telephone Hotline  
on 01923 664707  
[www.bre.co.uk/radon](http://www.bre.co.uk/radon)**

In addition a comprehensive range of priced guidance is available. This includes a series of BRE Reports, subtitled 'a BRE guide to radon remedial measures in existing dwellings':

**BRE Report BR227 *Radon sumps***

**BRE Report BR239 *Sealing cracks in solid floors***

**BRE Report BR250 *Surveying dwellings with high indoor radon levels***

**BRE Report BR267 *Major alterations and conversions***

**BRE Report BR270 *Protecting dwellings with suspended timber floors***

**BRE Report BR281 *Positive pressurisation***

**BRE Report BR 343 *Dwellings with cellars and basements***

The following are also available:

**BRE Report BR293 *Radon in the workplace***

**BRE Report BR211 *Radon: guidance on protective measures for new dwellings***

**Good Building Guide GBG25 *Buildings and radon***

**Good Building Guide GBG26 *Minimising noise from domestic fan systems and fan-assisted radon mitigation systems***

BRE publications are available from:

**BRE Bookshop, BRE Garston,  
Watford WD25 9XX**

**Telephone: 01923 664262,**

**E-mail: [bookshop@bre.co.uk](mailto:bookshop@bre.co.uk), or**

**Website: [www.BREbookshop.com](http://www.BREbookshop.com)**

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## THE RADON COUNCIL LTD

The Radon Council Limited, PO Box 39,  
Shepperton, Middlesex TW17 8AD

Tel: 01932 221212, Fax: 01932 229779

The Radon Council was set up in 1990 as an Independent Regulatory Body for the radon industry with the aim of raising standards within the industry. With this in mind the Council has introduced a Code of Practice and work guidelines for contractors. In addition they regularly run training courses for contractors and maintain a list of contractors, suppliers and consultants offering advice and services involving remedial works for radon gas.

The following are available from the above address:

*List of contractors, suppliers and consultants offering advice and services for radon gas*

*The Radon Manual*

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## NRPB – THE NATIONAL RADIOLOGICAL PROTECTION BOARD

The National Radiological Protection Board,  
Chilton, Didcot, Oxon OX11 0RQ

The NRPB is a public authority with responsibility for giving advice on radon measurement and the health risks associated with radon. For further information on the services offered by NRPB you can write to the above address or contact:

**NRPB Radon Freephone on 0800 614529**

The following priced guidance has been published by NRPB:

**R272 1994 *Exposure to Radon in UK Dwellings***

**Docs NRPB vol 1 no1 1990 *Board Statement on Radon in Homes***

**NRPB-W26 *Radon Atlas of England and Wales***

**Docs NRPB vol 4 no 6 1993 *Radon Affected Areas: Scotland: Northern Ireland***

***Radon: The Home Video***

The following leaflets and booklets are also available:

***Radon: At-a-Glance***

***Radon: Questions and Answers***

***Radon in the Workplace***

***Radon: A Guide for Professionals***

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## LOCAL AUTHORITY

In addition to the national organisations you can also obtain helpful information and advice locally from your Local Authority. The Environmental Health Department will be able to help with enquiries relating to radon risk locally, remedial measures, local building contractors and dealing with radon in the workplace. The Building Control Department will be able to assist with advice on protective measures for new buildings.

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NRPB 0800 614529 [www.nrpb.org/radon](http://www.nrpb.org/radon)

The Radon Council 01932 221212 [www.radonhotline.org](http://www.radonhotline.org)

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