

## Radon

**Some properties are located in areas where a small percentage of properties may be affected by radon gas.**

Information about radon can be obtained on [www.hpa.org.uk/radiation/](http://www.hpa.org.uk/radiation/). Radon is a naturally occurring gas and has been linked to health risks where it is allowed to accumulate within a house. Modern houses tend to have radon measures incorporated in the build whereas older houses often have a draughty nature so that the radon is not able to build up.

Tests can be carried out to find out the existence of radon in a property and a pack can be ordered from the Health Protection Agency as shown on the website. There are also a number of commercial providers of tests. We understand that the tests can take up to 6 months to carry out although there are now some considerably shorter tests that may be useful in certain circumstances. If the tests reveal a level of radon then measures can be taken to prevent future build up of radon.

We understand that the costs of radon prevention measures are often quite modest although it would be worth speaking to your builder or architect to make further enquiries before proceeding.

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