



# **Top 10 Signs** That You Have a Mold Problem

- 1** There is a musty odor or the scent of mildew in your home. Start looking for the source of the moisture and you will find your mold.
- 2** You've spotted visible mold in the bathroom, which is a common location to have a mold problem. Without sufficient ventilation, moisture is trapped and mold can begin to grow on the shower, on the walls, on the ceiling or even behind wall paper.
- 3** Your basement is humid or has sustained water damage. Check the floor, ceiling tiles, drywall and inside stored items for visible mold.
- 4** There is a leaky window with a wood frame that is rotting. Check the window frame for visible mold spores.
- 5** You spot what appears to be mold near the intake of your HVAC system. This could be a sign of more significant mold contamination throughout your ventilation system.
- 6** The exposed pipes in your basement are dripping - not from a leak, but due to condensation. Remember, where there is moisture indoors, there is often mold as well.
- 7** The indoor humidity in your home is above 60% (you can check this with a simple meter). Mold growth often accompanies high levels of indoor humidity.
- 8** Someone in your home is experiencing nasal stuffiness, eye irritation, wheezing or skin irritation and you are unable to identify the source of these conditions. It could be that individual is particularly sensitive to hidden mold in your home.
- 9** Condensation collects on windows and walls in your home. This is an indication of high humidity and that is a perfect environment for mold to grow.
- 10** There are visible water stains on your walls or ceiling. If you've had leaky pipes or flooding in the past, there could still be moisture caught in wood or drywall, causing mold growth.