

Mould - Risk Assessment Template No.30 (List additional hazards, risks and controls particular to your school using Template No.74)

Hazards	Is the hazard present? Y/N	What is the risk?	Risk rating H = High M = Medium L = Low	Control measures	Is this control in place? Y/N	If no, what actions are required to implement the control?	Person responsible	Date action completed
Mould		Lung irritation, sensitisation, adverse health affects	M	Procedure for identification and assessment of mould growth in place				
			M	All relevant staff are aware of this procedure				
			M	Regular formal inspections, e.g. bi- annual, undertaken to identify moulds or potential causes of mould, e.g. leaks?				
			M	Regular preventative maintenance procedures are in place, including regular visual inspections of the building and areas, for example, <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check for signs of water damage or intrusion, dampness, cracks, etc. • Check for leaking pipes • Pipework is insulated • Check for condensation build up • Ensure humidity is less than 60%. Humidity can be reduced by repairing leaks and increasing ventilation • Ensure dryers vent externally • Check extraction ventilation is working correctly and maintained, e.g. in kitchens • Damp proof courses checked • Check gutters are cleared and in good condition 				
			M	Generate and maintain a log book for regular examination and maintenance of plumbing system(s); gutters and ventilation systems Ensure that maintenance/checks are occurring				

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Mould		Lung irritation, sensitisation, adverse health affects	M	Remediation plan/procedure in place to deal with identified mould problem, for example <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Source of moisture been identified and removed prior to remediation • Appropriate PPE and RPE available for persons carrying out cleaning and remediation work (as detailed in reference guide) • Staff carrying out cleaning are trained and aware of relevant precautions/ controls required for mould growth greater than 3m² • Professional expertise sought if the area covered by mould is greater than 3m² 				
			M	System in place to deal with incidents of water damage, e.g. flooding, to prevent mould growth				
			M	Records are kept of all remediation work/ monitoring carried out				
			M	Restricted access to areas of mould growth prior to and during remediation				

If there is one or more **High Risk (H)** actions needed, then the risk of injury could be high and immediate action should be taken.
Medium Risk (M) actions should be dealt with as soon as possible. **Low Risk (L)** actions should be dealt with as soon as practicable.

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Risk Assessment carried out by: _____ **Date:** / /

-  **Reference**
 Guidelines for Cleaning Staff on Managing Mould Growth in State Buildings. www.stateclaims.ie
 Guidelines for Maintenance Staff on Managing Mould Growth in State Buildings. www.stateclaims.ie
 Department of Education and Science Circular 008/2006 Health and Safety Matters – Management of Mould