Douglas County Department of Health and Human Services
Environmental Health Unit

Radon Test Kit Instructions:

- Place the test kit on the lowest lived-in area of the home away from drafts. If the home has a basement that is finished and used as living quarters, this is where the test kit should be placed. If the basement is mostly a storage area, testing should be done on the first floor.

- Testing should be done under “closed house” conditions to allow radon levels to equalize. Doors and windows should remain closed as much as possible for at least 12 hours prior to starting the test (windows and doors should remain closed as much as possible during the test).

- Open outer plastic wrap and read instruction card thoroughly.

- Fill out the return card completely. Be sure to include the testing times as requested.

- Open the inner plastic surrounding the test kit. Do not remove or puncture the paper covering.

- Place the kit paper side up in your chosen test area and leave undisturbed during the two day test period.

- The test is to be done for NO LESS THAN 48 HOURS and NO MORE THAN 72 HOURS and sent immediately to the lab using the enclosed envelope. Seal the envelope with tape and apply required postage before mailing.

- Schedule your test so that when you mail it in, it will be received within two days. For example, do not mail the test on a Friday because the lab will not receive within the required 96 hour time period and the results will not be valid.

- If you have any questions, please call (715) 395-1304.