

# Household Mold Prevention

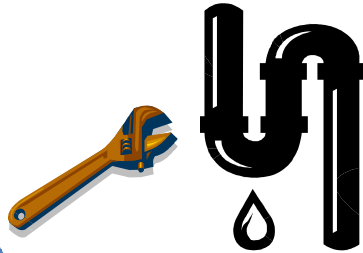
Mold can affect your health and cause damage to your home.

- Mold happens when there's a lot of moisture and/or air that doesn't move around.
- According to ORS 90.320, the landlord must keep your place and the common areas in good repair. This means that the unit must have (among other things) effective waterproofing, weather protection and good air movement. So landlords should be responsible for taking care of the more common problems that create mold.

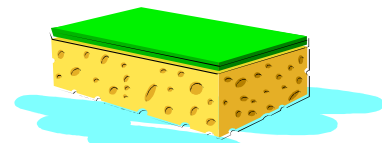
Tell your landlord if you have mold.



Have leaks repaired.



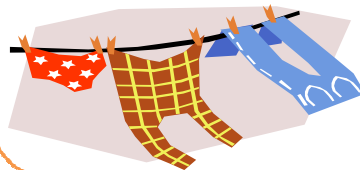
Scrub and dry signs of mold. Use a cleaning solution of 1 c. vinegar and 1 c. water.



Allow airflow in closets.



Don't hang-dry wet clothes inside and leave wet shoes outside.



Cover pots and pans when cooking and open windows.



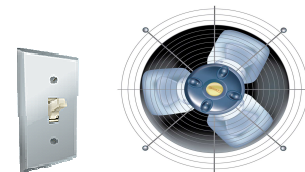
Open curtains, windows and doors half a hour in the morning and evening.



Store firewood outside.



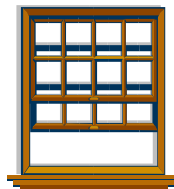
Run fans when cooking, during a shower, and after showering.



Clean wet spills.



Open windows when cooking and after showering.



Move furniture at least one inch away from walls.



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