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Water Damaged Buildings – Seeing the Big Picture Part 3 – Content Cleaning

In our most recent newsletters we have been focusing on the big picture of water-damaged buildings, using [this link](#) to illustrate the various concerns an occupant of a water-damaged structure often has to cope with.

With this edition we continue the Q & A format, now dealing with questions related to cleaning the contents of a water-damaged structure. [This link](#) will take you to responses to the following questions:

Q11: I've heard that I need to get rid of all my contents. Is there any way that some of them can be cleaned so that I can use them in the future?

Q12: You said that at some point we will have to remove all the contents from our house. How should we go about packing it all up? Should we start now with things that aren't used regularly, to get a head start? I worry about mold getting in or on the boxes if we do it too soon.

Q13: We want to control the humidity in our temporary housing when we are not using the air conditioning. Can we clean and use our existing dehumidifier?

Q14: Can we use the washer and dryer in our house for doing laundry if we immediately take the cleaned clothes to our temporary housing?

The next edition of the newsletter will offer practical tips for dealing with water-damaged buildings that are occupied by people whose health have been compromised, and will include proper methods for dealing with contents that have been exposed to microbial contaminants.

TRAINING SCHEDULE

Mold Remediation Technician

April 14-16: Kalamazoo, MI

May 12-14: Kalamazoo, MI

Remediation for Mold Sensitized

Individuals

Philadelphia, PA - April 28

Salem, NH - April 30

Roselle, IL - May 19

St. Petersburg, FL - May 28

Los Angeles - June 9

Seattle, WA - June 16

Mold Refresher

May 6: Las Vegas, NV

May 21: Kalamazoo, MI

Stubborn Manufacturer Exposes the Asbestos Blame Game

In a quiet bankruptcy court in Charlotte, N.C., closed to all but court personnel and people who'd signed strict confidentiality orders, the inner workings of one of the longest-running and most lucrative schemes in the American litigation business was laid out. In an unprecedented move a manufacturer of asbestos gaskets named Garlock Sealing Technologies persuaded a U.S. bankruptcy judge to allow it to dig into case files and question the lawyers who'd helped drive the company into bankruptcy. The evidence that was uncovered could be the turning point in the decades-long multibillion-dollar battle over who will pay for asbestos cleanup across the U.S. Garlock is now suing lawyers at six firms for racketeering and fraud over their asbestos litigation. [Click here](#) to read the whole story.

Did You Know?

The American College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine appears to have retired a controversial position statement on mold that critics say has been used to deny workers' compensation claims for more than a decade. The paper no longer appears on the organization's website. [Click here](#) to read the full story.

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