

General School - No.31 Mould (List additional hazards, risks and controls particular to your school using the blank template no.55)

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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	Preventative maintenance procedures in place, e.g: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check for leaking pipes • Check for condensation build up • Ensure humidity is less than 60%. Humidity can be reduced by repairing leaks or increasing ventilation • Ensure dryers vent externally • Check extraction ventilation is working correctly, e.g. in kitchens • Damp proof courses checked • Check gutters are cleared and in good condition 				

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Mould		Lung irritation, sensitisation, adverse health affects	M	Generate a log book for regular examination and maintenance of plumbing system(s); gutters and ventilation systems. Subsequent action would involve auditing of logbooks that maintenance/ checks were occurring				
			M	Remediation plan/procedure in place to deal with identified mould problem, e.g. <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 • 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				

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.

Reference guide; State Claims Agency; Guidelines for Cleaning Staff on Managing Mould Growth in State Buildings. www.stateclaims.ie

State Claims Agency; 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

Risk Assessment carried out by: _____

Date: / /