



What About Products?

We were recently at a customer's home repairing a radon mitigation system installed by another company. I noticed that they left an empty tube of caulk so I picked it up. You never know when you may find an approved ASTM Class 25 caulk that is less expensive than what you are using. To say I was shocked when I read the side of the tube would be an understatement. Name of the caulk will not be stated here.

From manufacturer:

XXX is approved for exterior use only. Do not use this product inside an occupied building even if there are no occupants present during use. Category 1A Carcinogen.

Wear respiratory protection. Contaminated work clothing must not be allowed out of the workplace. Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection. Obtain special instructions before use. Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Use personal protective equipment as required. Avoid release to the environment.

If experiencing respiratory symptoms: Call a POISON CENTER/doctor. IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of water. If skin irritation or rash occurs: Get medical advice/attention. If exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention.

Wear chemical-resistant gloves, footwear, and protective clothing appropriate for the risk of exposure. Contact health and safety professional or manufacturer for specific information.

Reports have associated repeated and prolonged occupational overexposure to solvents with permanent brain and nervous system damage.

Not sure what is worse.... The radon levels or the caulk. Don't be afraid to ask contractors about materials they will be using inside your home. You have a right to know.

What's your radon level?