

# Flagship Construction & Building Envelope Restoration Ltd.

### **Hidden Hazards Behind Your Walls**

Renovating a fixer-upper can be exciting, to transform an old space into something brand new. However, many owners don't realize what is lurking behind the walls, floors, ceiling and roof could be unhealthy, and downright dangerous. We are talking about rot & mold in your home. Rot & mold needs to be properly addressed otherwise it could pose a risk to you and your family.

### What is Rot?

Rot is when moisture is trapped inside the envelope of your home and overtime, it breaks down the wooden building materials of the home. This form of decomposition and decay not only affects the energy efficiency of your home, but may severely weaken the structural integrity of the house, the instability presenting a serious hazard to your family.

### What is Mold?

Mold is the general term for fungi that grows where there is moisture still trapped inside the envelope of a home. If gone undetected, mold will spread throughout your home, and may cause allergic reactions and breathing problems for young children and seniors, or those with asthma or compromised immune systems. Symptoms may include itchy watery eyes, coughing, migraines/headaches, sneezing, rashes and

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difficulty breathing. Everyone will have different reactions to mold than others, and may lead to serious chronic health problems in the long term.

Rot and mold together present a serious issue because it is difficult to detect without trained experts, and further reluctance to remediate the rot and mold often lead to health and safety risks that are 100% preventable.

As a registered builder in BC, we are ethically responsible to report all rot & mold detected and advise on remediation which unfortunately, could add to your construction costs. However, by quickly remediating the rot and mold you will be able to maintain a safe living environment for you and your family, and at the same time maximizing on energy efficiency, preserving and increasing the value of your real estate.

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