

# MOLD INSPECTION AGREEMENT

Inspection Address:

## THIS AGREEMENT LIMITS OUR LIABILITY... PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

**PURPOSE**—CLIENT engages COMPANY to conduct a **NON-INVASIVE LIMITED VISUAL** mold inspection and provide a written report of the COMPANY'S visual observations, attempts to detect the presence of mold and copies of the results of any laboratory analysis of samples collected. The inspection and report are performed and prepared for the CLIENT'S sole, confidential and exclusive use and possession. **THIS IS NOT A HOME WARRANTY, GUARANTEE, INSURANCE POLICY OR SUBSTITUTE FOR REAL ESTATE TRANSFER DISCLOSURES.**

**SCOPE OF INSPECTION**—The scope of the inspection is limited to the **READILY ACCESSIBLE** areas of the property and is based on the condition of the property at the precise time and date of the inspection and on the laboratory analysis of the samples collected. Mold can exist in inaccessible areas such as behind walls and under carpeting. Furthermore, mold grows. As such, the report is not a guarantee that mold does or does not exist. The results are indicative only of the presence or absence of mold in the areas sampled at the time the inspection is performed. As a courtesy the COMPANY may point out conditions that contribute to mold growth but such comments are not part of the bargained for report. The inspection will be performed in compliance with International Association of Certified Indoor Air Consultants (IAC2) Standards of Practice posted at <http://www.iac2.org/sop.htm>. Although COMPANY agrees to follow IAC2 Standards of Practice, CLIENT understands that these standards contain limitations, exceptions, and exclusions.

**OUTSIDE THE SCOPE OF THE INSPECTION**—Hidden, concealed and inaccessible areas of the property are excluded from the inspection; equipment, items, and systems will not be dismantled and destructive testing will not be conducted. Any area which is not exposed to view, is concealed, or is inaccessible because of soil, walls, wall coverings, floors, floor coverings, ceilings, furniture, personal property, or other barriers whether permanent or movable, is not included in this inspection. Additionally, any areas or items not specifically listed within the report pages are outside the scope of the inspection. CLIENT agrees to assume all the risk for all conditions which are concealed from view at the time of the inspection or considered outside the scope of the inspection.

**ARBITRATION**—Any dispute concerning the interpretation of this agreement or arising from this inspection and report, except one for inspection fee payment, shall be resolved informally between the parties or by arbitration conducted in accordance with the rules of the American Arbitration Association except that the parties shall select an arbitrator who is familiar with the home inspection industry. The arbitrator shall conduct summary judgment motions and enforce full discovery rights as a court would as provided in civil proceeding by legal code.

**LITIGATION**—The parties agree that any litigation arising out of this Agreement shall be filed only in the Court having jurisdiction in the County in which the COMPANY has its principal place of business. If COMPANY is the substantially prevailing party in any such litigation, the CLIENT shall pay all legal costs, expenses and attorney's fees of the COMPANY in defending said claims. CLIENT shall have no cause of action against COMPANY after one year from the date of the inspection.

**SEVERABILITY**—CLIENT and COMPANY agree that should a Court of Competent Jurisdiction determine and declare that any portion of this Agreement void, voidable or unenforceable, the remaining provisions and portions shall remain in full force and effect.

**DISPUTES**—CLIENT understands and agrees that any claim for failure to accurately report the visually discernible conditions at the Subject Property, as limited herein above, shall be made in writing and reported to the COMPANY within ten business days of discovery. CLIENT further agrees that, with the exception of emergency conditions, CLIENT or CLIENT'S agents, employees or independent contractors, will make no alterations, modifications or repairs to the claimed discrepancy prior to a reinspection by the COMPANY. CLIENT understands and agrees that any failure to notify the COMPANY as stated above shall constitute a waiver of any and all claims for said failure to accurately report the condition in question.

**LIMITATION ON LIABILITY**—In the event that the COMPANY is found to be liable to CLIENT for any errors or omissions related to this inspection report or this Agreement, from any other cause or causes of action including, but not limited to, negligence, breach of contract, breach of warranty, violations of the Missouri Consumer Protection Act, or any other common law theory or statutory violation or claim alleged, then the liability of the COMPANY is limited to liquidated damages in an amount equal to (2) times the inspection fee paid by CLIENT, and this liability shall be exclusive. CLIENT waives any claim for consequential, exemplary, special or incidental damages or for the loss of the use of the home/building even if the CLIENT has been advised of the possibility of such damages. The parties acknowledge that the liquidated damages are not intended as a penalty but are intended (i) to reflect the fact that actual damages may be difficult and impractical to ascertain; (ii) to allocate risk among the COMPANY and CLIENT; and (iii) to enable the COMPANY to perform the inspection at the stated fee. CLIENT has the option to purchase a **TECHNICALLY EXHAUSTIVE INSPECTION** without **LIMITATION OF LIABILITY** by paying an additional fee in the amount of \$5,000 or 1% of the sales price, whichever is greater. All **TECHNICALLY EXHAUSTIVE INSPECTIONS** will require a separate contract. CLIENT agrees to contact COMPANY, before signing this Agreement, if CLIENT elects to exercise the **TECHNICALLY EXHAUSTIVE INSPECTION** option.

Additional Services Requested:

TOTAL INSPECTION FEE \$ \_\_\_\_\_

  
COMPANY (RLM & Associates, LLC) DATE CLIENT DATE

By signing above, CLIENT confirms that they have read, understood, and agreed to the above inspection agreement and CLIENT agrees to be bound by these terms and conditions. This Agreement represents the entire agreement between the parties and there are no other agreements either written or oral between them. This Agreement shall be amended only by written agreement signed by both parties.