If you discover mold growing in the property, the following can be done to clean the mold:

**HOW TO CLEAN MOLD**

Identify and fix the source of the water/moisture that is causing the mold to grow. Discard porous materials such as drywall, drapes, wood products, etc.

When dried, spores are more easily released from these types of materials.

Some items such as drapes, clothes, sheets, etc. can be cleaned to remove mold from them.

After these steps have been completed you can do the following:

Clean/Maintain places where moisture accumulates.

HVAC condensate drains, refrigerator drain pans, and toilet bowls are common places for mold to grow.

Increase ventilation to affected area to reduce dampness.

Check these locations to see if they need cleaning or maintenance to remove moisture/mold buildup. Clean with soap and water before using disinfectants.

This can involve unblocking air pathways, running exhaust fans, closing windows, etc.

**PRECAUTIONS WHILE CLEANING**

Ensure that area being cleaned is isolated or contained to reduce the amount of mold and spores released into the air.

Wear gloves and a dust mask/respirator to decrease exposure to mold.

- Educate landlord on the moisture issues to encourage them to resolve the water damage related problems
- Request an inspection by local code enforcement department
- Enforce the lease through the civil court system

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