

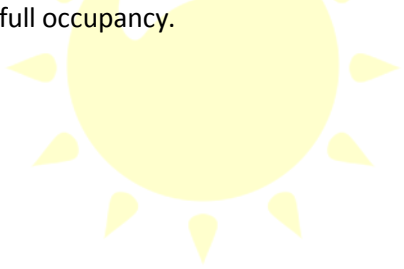


Seasonal Indoor Air Quality Issues



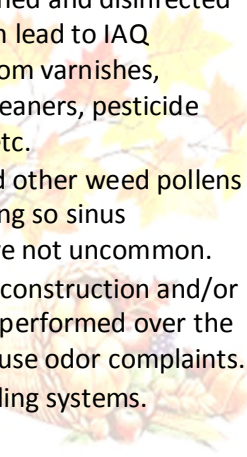
AUGUST

- This is a good time to check out the water supply, HVAC and other mechanical systems for bacterial/fungal growth and conduct Legionella testing before full occupancy.



SEPTEMBER

- Recently cleaned and disinfected facilities often lead to IAQ complaints from varnishes, refinishers, cleaners, pesticide treatments, etc.
- Rag weed and other weed pollens are in full swing so sinus complaints are not uncommon.
- Renovations, construction and/or abatement if performed over the break may cause odor complaints.
- Maintain cooling systems.



OCTOBER

- Usually a quiet month until the heat kicks on.
- Odor and IAQ complaints are typically abundant at the start of heating season.



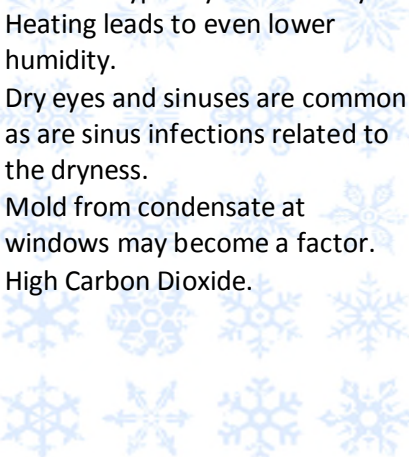
NOVEMBER

- Older facilities usually experience elevated carbon dioxide levels starting in November through the winter. The elevated levels lead to fatigue complaints (High Carbon Dioxide).



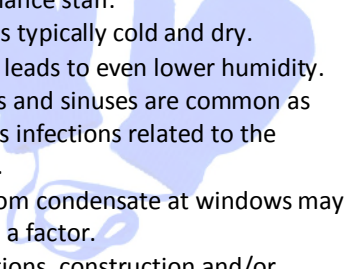
DECEMBER

- The air is typically cold and dry. Heating leads to even lower humidity.
- Dry eyes and sinuses are common as are sinus infections related to the dryness.
- Mold from condensate at windows may become a factor.
- High Carbon Dioxide.



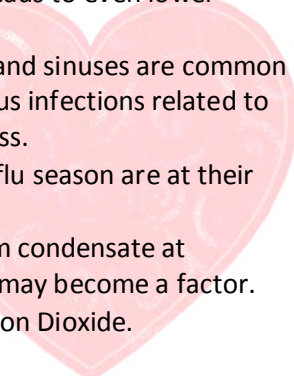
JANUARY

- There may be odor or other complaints of discomfort relating to recently polished floors and other winter break activities carried out by custodial and maintenance staff.
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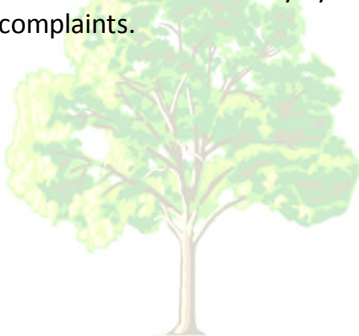
FEBRUARY

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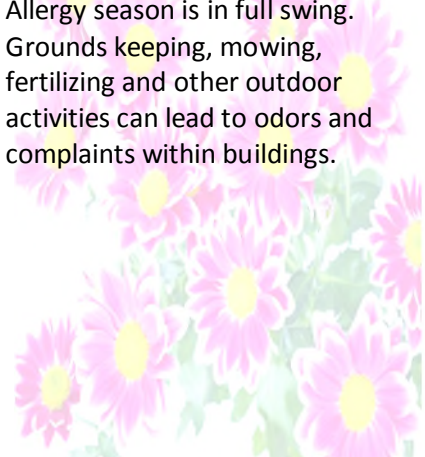
MARCH

- Tree pollen begins in mid-March and starts the onset of allergies with both sinus and itchy eye complaints.



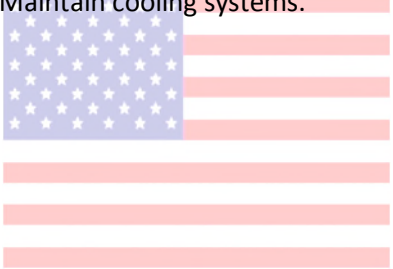
APRIL

- Allergy season is in full swing.
- Grounds keeping, mowing, fertilizing and other outdoor activities can lead to odors and complaints within buildings.



MAY

- Allergy season continues.
- AC units may kick on late in the month leading to odor complaints or issues caused by condensate.
- Maintain cooling systems.



JUNE

- AC issues continue.
- Finals, term papers, and "summeritis" lead to stress related complaints of illness.



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