

RED FLAG ISSUES

STOP WORK AND CHECK-IN

During work keep an eye out for any of these “Red Flag” issues. Don’t try to solve serious issues on your own—bring in your supervisor right away.

Environment

- **Friable asbestos** (pipe wrap, insulation, ceiling tiles)
- **Extensive mold** near ducts or HVAC system
- **Lead paint dust** or active chipping in work zone (pre-1978 homes)
- **Gas leaks** (smell of gas or positive detection)
- **Chemical exposure** with strong odor or health symptoms
- **Major infestations** (e.g., rats, bats, or bee colonies in work areas)
- **Carbon Monoxide** alerts

Structural & Electrical Hazards

- **Exposed live electrical wiring** in or near work area
- **Unstable structures** (sagging floor/roof, unsafe attic platform)
- **Backdrafting or venting** into living space
- **Flooding or major water leaks** near electrical or HVAC systems
- **Confined space with inadequate ventilation** and no safe entry

Client Safety & Behavior

- **Combative, threatening, or intoxicated occupants**
- **Weapons in work areas**
- **Drug activity or evidence of illegal activity**
- Client begins to experience **physical or mental health symptoms**
- The client **asks you to stop work** for any reason

Legal/Ethical Concerns

- **Evidence of fraud** (e.g., falsified documents, identity issues)
- **Discovery of illegal items** or criminal behavior on site
- **Tampering with safety devices** (e.g., disabled gas shutoff valves)
 - This may be able to be addressed on site with customer education.