



# How Will EPA Test My Yard?

EPA needs your permission to take six simple steps:  
All testing activities are **FREE** to homeowners!

## Is Soil in Your Yard Safe?



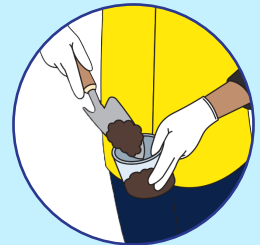
**1** Soil in your yard may be contaminated with lead, cadmium, or other heavy metals from mining or smelting waste.

## Sign Agreement



**2** The owner signs an agreement to allow EPA to collect and test the soil in the yard.

## Soil Collection



**3** EPA collects a small amount of soil from the yard.

## Soil Testing



**4** EPA tests the soil to determine the levels of lead, cadmium, or other heavy metals.

## Soil Testing Results



**5** EPA will send a letter with the soil test results in the mail.

## Next Steps



**6** If elevated levels are found, EPA will contact you to discuss cleanup options.

For more information, visit:

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