

SECURITY

Mofos, bolores e cogumelos são designações comuns para os fungos. Estes microrganismos apresentam um rápido crescimento, reproduzem-se por dispersão de esporos de elevado grau patogénico, comprometendo o nosso sistema imunitário, causando alergias, infeções e, em casos mais graves, podendo levar à hospitalização.

A utilização de equipamentos de proteção pessoal torna-se deste modo imprescindível para salvaguardar a sua saúde.



PRESERVATION

By norm, mold spread is identified when it reaches a significant size. To prevent the (re) appearance of mold or contain their growth in the various document storage spaces, undertake the following actions: periodic cleaning and ventilation; installation of air sterilizers and dehumidifiers; environmental condition control (temperature an

d relative humidity); cleaning air conditioning filters.

Note: when handling infected books and documents always use personal protection equipment.



INTERVENTION

- Loose books and documents: cleaning the affected areas with soft brushes. If you have a vacuum cleaner with adjustable suction, vacuum each leaf with the power at the minimum level; remember to change the

HEPA filters and clean the equipment;

- Freezing documents, in order to stop the proliferation of mold.

Note: the use of contaminated cleaning materials, might increase the transmission between the

documents. The same ones must be cleaned regularly.

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UNDERSTAND REALITY

The mold may cause damage to your documents such as stains of varying coloration, fading of the writing, gap, change of colour, loss of physical and chemical resistance, amongst others. Find a Conservation Restoration professional, that in a safe way, will prolong the lifespan of your documents.



These are the advices from the DRABM (Archive and Library of Madeira) Preservation, Conservation and Restoration team, which are merely indicative to minimize damage.

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