



## BUILDING RENOVATION AND DEMOLITION

### WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW!

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#### **Are you Remodeling, Renovating or Demolishing?**

You may be subject to Local, State or Federal Regulations requiring an inspection for asbestos.

Avoid delays by having your project inspected for asbestos by a Florida licensed asbestos consultant before commencing work.

#### **It is illegal to improperly disturb asbestos containing materials!**

Buildings of any age, including those newly built, may contain asbestos-containing materials. Asbestos can be found in these and other common building materials: Ceiling textures, vinyl floor coverings and mastic, boiler and pipe insulation, heating and cooling duct insulation, ceiling tile, roofing products and clapboard shingles to name a few. These materials may be regulated if found to contain asbestos and only Florida licensed individuals can determine which materials contain asbestos and whether or not they are regulated.

#### **For All Renovation/Remodeling Projects:**

- ✓ Inspection: The structures/components to be disturbed ***must be inspected for asbestos*** by a licensed asbestos consultant. Contact The Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation at <https://www.myfloridalicense.com/> for a listing of consultants in your area. Asbestos consulting firms can also be found in the business section of most telephone books under the heading "Asbestos Consulting and Testing".
- ✓ A licensed asbestos abatement contractor is required to remove regulated asbestos-containing material prior to disturbance if the amount of the asbestos exceeds:
  - 160 square feet of surfacing material; or
  - 260 linear feet of pipe insulation; or
  - 35 cubic feet of material where the square or linear feet cannot be predetermined.
- ✓ A written notification on FDEP Form 62-257.900(1) to the Environmental Quality Division and a ten (10) working day waiting period is required before the removal (abatement) of regulated asbestos containing materials.
- ✓ Regulated asbestos-containing waste material must be disposed of at an approved asbestos waste disposal site.
- ✓ The removal of certain types of asbestos-containing material may not require a Florida licensed asbestos contractor. The material which can be removed and the conditions by which a non-licensed entity may remove it is listed in Chapter 461 of the Florida Statutes. The statute may be reviewed at <http://www.leg.state.fl.us/>.

## Demolitions, Destructive Salvage, Building Relocation

If you demolish or disturb load bearing structural members of a commercial, government, institutional building, whether still intact or not, you are subject to local, state, and federal regulations. These regulations also apply to residential units of more than four dwellings, and residential units under commercial, institutional, or government control regardless of the number of dwelling units within the structure.

### Prior to Demolition:

- ✓ **Inspection:** the building must be inspected for asbestos by a licensed asbestos consultant.
- ✓ Any asbestos containing material that is friable or will be made friable during demolition activities must be removed prior to demolition. The asbestos removal, if necessary, must be performed by a Florida licensed Asbestos Contractor in accordance with 40 C.F.R. §61.145(a)(1), if required if the amount of asbestos-containing material that is friable or will become friable during demolition exceeds the trigger levels.
- ✓ A Notification must be submitted to the Environmental Quality Division on FDEP Form 62-257.900(1), even if no asbestos was found during the inspection. A ten (10) working day waiting period is required before the demolition can commence. This notification requirement is in addition to any permit issued by the cities of Jacksonville, Jacksonville Beach, Atlantic Beach, Neptune Beach, and Baldwin.

### During Demolition:

- ✓ Recycling of materials, such as concrete or wood, that are bonded or contaminated with asbestos-containing material, such as floor tile or mastic, is not permitted.
- ✓ Demolition of a building that contains non-friable asbestos containing materials that will remain in place during the demolition must be completed without causing the asbestos-containing materials to become friable.
- ✓ Concrete floors covered with asbestos-containing material shall be removed in as large sections as possible with efforts to minimize the disturbance of the asbestos.
- ✓ When imploding or burning a structure, all asbestos-containing material, regardless of quantity, must be removed prior to beginning demolition activities.

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All asbestos abatement and demolition permit application forms are available from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection website (<http://www.dep.state.fl.us/air/rules/forms/asbestos.htm>) or by calling the City of Jacksonville's Environmental Quality Division's asbestos program.

**HAVE YOUR PROJECT INSPECTED BY A FLORIDA LICENSED ASBESTOS  
CONSULTANT BEFORE YOU BEGIN**

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**Violation of asbestos regulations can result in monetary penalties and project delays.**