ASBESTOS LAW for
RENOVATIONS AND DEMOLITIONS
by the Homeowner of a Residence

Failure to comply with the City of Indianapolis' asbestos regulation may result in fines up to $2,500.00 per day per violation.

BEFORE A DEMOLITION or RENOVATION, A HOMEOWNER SHOULD:

1. Hire an Indiana licensed asbestos building inspector to inspect the structure or portion of the structure undergoing renovation or demolition to determine if asbestos is present.
2. If asbestos is present, remove the regulated asbestos containing material (RACM) before a demolition or renovation that might disturb the asbestos containing material. The homeowner may perform his/her own asbestos removal as described below. If the homeowner hires a contractor to perform the asbestos removal, the contractor MUST be a City of Indianapolis permitted asbestos contractor.
3. Even if no asbestos is present, the demolition contractor must provide written notification using the Notice of Intent of the demolition is required ten (10) days prior to demolition so that an inspection by the City of Indianapolis may occur to verify that no asbestos is present.

RESIDENTIAL ASBESTOS REMOVAL

Regulated Asbestos Containing Materials in a residential structure may be removed by the owner (in lieu of an asbestos contractor) if the residence consists of four or fewer dwelling units.

A brochure explaining the procedures is available from the City of Indianapolis' Office of Environmental Services.

WHERE CAN I FIND LICENSED INSPECTORS AND ASBESTOS REMOVAL CONTRACTORS?

1. Asbestos inspectors may be found in the Yellow Pages under "Asbestos Consultants and Environmental Services".
2. Asbestos removal contractors may be found in the Yellow Pages under "Asbestos Removal and Abatement Services".
3. A list of licensed asbestos removal contractors may be obtained from the City's Office of Environmental Services at (317)327-2234.

HOW DO I REMOVE THE ASBESTOS MYSELF?

1. Notify the City by telephone at (317)327-2234 at least three (3) business days before removing any regulated asbestos containing material.
2. Inform the City of the removal dates and the approximate amount of regulated asbestos containing materials that will be removed.
3. Adequately wet the material with water before, during and after stripping the material or removing units or sections.
4. DO NOT DISCHARGE VISIBLE EMISSIONS OF ASBESTOS OUTSIDE THE CONTAINMENT BAG, WORK AREA OR FACILITY.
5. Place the material in leak-tight containers. When using plastic bags, Indiana Department of Environmental Management regulations require that the bags be the equivalent to12 mils thick (at least 4 trash bags thick).
6. Wet wipe and mop the work area. These materials must also be disposed of as asbestos waste.
7. Seal the waste bags with tape.
8. Label the waste bags with warning labels and origination labels.
9. Transport the waste to the landfill in a covered vehicle along with the disposal record form (available from the City or the landfill).
10. Dispose of the waste at a landfill approved to accept asbestos waste (in Marion County - Southside Landfill).
11. Inform the landfill operator that the waste contains asbestos.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Contact the Asbestos Compliance Inspector for the City of Indianapolis
Office of Environmental Services
(317) 327-2234

Or Visit our website at www.indygov.org/eGov/City/DPW/Environment/AirQuality/Asbestos/home.htm