

POLICY FOR DEALING WITH ASBESTOS IN THE WORKPLACE/SITE

If you think that you have found asbestos, don't touch it. Asbestos is a risk when it is disturbed in a way that produces dust that contains asbestos fibres. In many cases the presence of asbestos-containing material is no cause for alarm if the material has not been damaged.

If materials containing asbestos are in good condition (i.e. undamaged, undisturbed), the safest option is to leave them alone.

If you are thinking about working with or removing a material that contains asbestos, please carry out the following process:

1. Leave the affected area and immediately notify your Supervisor who will then notify the Site Manager and Safety Manager.
2. The Safety Manager will then notify the person(s) who are in management control of the workplace/site.
3. If the person(s) in management control of the workplace/site are not available or have left the issue to be dealt with by Envar Management – is it in good condition (e.g. undamaged), can it be left alone?
4. If it is in poor condition or needs removing then a certified asbestos removal company must be contacted for this task.
5. Do not continue works in the affected area until written notification that satisfies the legislation related to asbestos in the workplace is provided by the asbestos removal company – the Safety Manager will determine this.

Only a licensed professional is to engage in any asbestos related works, as health risks associated with handling this type of material are extremely serious.



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