

Asbestos Management Plan

What is it?

A formal plan to contain and manage hazardous substances in the workplace, such as asbestos

Relates to regulations

Required by your respective provincial or federal regulations:

- Occupational Health and Safety Act
- Asbestos Regulations
- WHMIS (Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System)

Who's responsible?

- The employer is responsible for providing and implementing the plan
- The employer must consult and work with the JHSC (Joint Health and Safety Committee) on meeting the regulation's criteria
- The Ministry of Labour's Occupational Health and Safety Division approves of and enforces the plan

Who to contact?

- Your JHSC member
- Your association steward, staff rep or executive
- Ministry of Labour
- CAUT Occupational Health and Safety Department

Protecting myself

- Has my building been assessed?
- Is there a plan?
- Does the employer send out advisories and properly contain areas where construction or renovations are being conducted?
- Are asbestos removal and maintenance workers trained on asbestos hazards?
- Has the employer met the regulation criteria of educating staff on asbestos hazards?
- Have I had my WMIS training as required by law? Have I had my annual review?
- Am I moved to a safer location, if needed, during removal or renovations?

What should I see?

- Hard copy or e-mail advisories of impending work
- Properly posted hazard alerts around the worksite
- Proper containment, i.e. plastic sheeting, around the worksite
- Workers wearing PPE (Personal Protective Equipment)
- Clean work area B no dust

What if I see:

- Dust
- Open work area(s)
- No advisories
- **Inform your JHSC and administration immediately! Stay clear of the area and warn others**