



## AVAQMD ASBESTOS DEMO/RENO GENERAL INFORMATION

**SURVEY REQUIREMENT:** Asbestos surveys are required prior to renovation and demolition. Asbestos must be removed prior to activities that may disturb it. All asbestos must be removed prior to demolition.

**NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:** Notifications shall be postmarked *ten (10) working days prior* to starting any asbestos removal that is equal to, or more than 100 square feet or *any* demolition. Notifications should be submitted and signed by the asbestos or demolition contractor performing the removal and/or demolition job. Notifications without signature(s) will be returned. Renovations without asbestos do not require notification.

**FEE REQUIREMENT:** Rule 302 requires all notifications to be submitted with appropriate fees. *Fees are per notification and are not refundable.* Notifications submitted without appropriate fees will be returned to sender, deemed incomplete, and referred to the compliance unit. Renovations or Demolitions conducted without a valid notification are subject to local and federal enforcement. Cancellation of notifications and removal projects less than 100 square feet are exempt from fees, other requirements may apply.

**REVISIONS:** Update the notifications as necessary, pencil in the changes, highlight the reason for the revision on the notification, and email it to the District at [asbestosdemo@avaqmd.ca.gov](mailto:asbestosdemo@avaqmd.ca.gov). Changes in asbestos amount of 20% or more of the notified amount require a revision and a fee for the additional amount if applicable. Fees are per notification. (See: Fax Notification Requirements).

**EMERGENCY NOTIFICATIONS:** Please see Rule 302 for fee schedule. These are for immediate asbestos removals due to unsafe conditions, equipment damage, unreasonable financial burden, and for Ordered Demolitions. Examples are flood, earthquake, fire, and site contamination. For emergency removals submit a letter from the person authorizing the emergency. For Ordered Demolitions submit the name, title, and authority of the State or local government representative who has ordered the demolition, the date that the order was issued, and the date on which the demolition was ordered to begin. A copy of the order shall be attached to the notification.

**EMAIL NOTIFICATIONS:** Email notifications are accepted for Emergencies, Ordered Demolitions, Electronic Notifications, and Cancellations. Email notifications to the District [asbestosdemo@avaqmd.ca.gov](mailto:asbestosdemo@avaqmd.ca.gov) and postmark/mail the Original Notification with proper fees, within 48 hours of sending email to: AVAQMD 43301 Division St., Suite 206, Lancaster, CA 93535-4649.

For Emergencies include the letter authorizing the Emergency Removal or Ordered Demolition. Cancellations do not require mail follow-up.

**DEMOLITION:** Is the wrecking or taking out of a load-supporting structural member of a facility or the intentional burning of a structure. Demolitions require a prior survey and asbestos removal. All structural Demolitions with or without asbestos require notification. Dismantling of partitions and installation of windows and doors through load-supporting walls without asbestos is exempt from notification.

**DEMOLITION BY INTENTIONAL BURNING:** Demo by fire requires a prior asbestos survey, asbestos removal notification, if any, demolition notification, Rule 444 "training burn notification" to the District @ (888) 723-8070 the day prior to burning, and conducting the training burn on a burn day. Fire departments are responsible for obtaining an asbestos clearance, copies of the demolition notification, phoning AQMD, per Rule 444, the day prior to the training burn, and coordinating with the demolition contractor to clean the site after the training burn.

**RENOVATION:** Is the removal, stripping, or altering of asbestos containing materials, and/or any activity involving the associated disturbance of asbestos in a facility. Renovations require an asbestos survey and removal prior to and activity that would disturb the asbestos. Remodeling or renovations without asbestos do not require notification.

**PLANNED RENOVATION NOTIFICATIONS (PRN):** There are two kinds of PRN: The first kind is to notify for *Nonscheduled Asbestos Removals (AKA annual notifications)*, where less than 100 square feet is removed, each time, due to equipment breakdown or maintenance requirements. Nonscheduled Asbestos Removals are expected to occur based on past experience, but no exact date can be predicted for them. These notifications account for the cumulative asbestos amounts removed from a facility in a calendar year in increments of less than 160 square feet due to nonscheduled asbestos removals. These notifications must be postmarked by December 17<sup>th</sup>. *Individual Removals of more than 100 square feet require separate notification.* The second kind is to notify for a series of *Scheduled asbestos removals* within a facility, where each removal is greater than 100 square feet. These notifications are for long-term projects and require an attachment listing the individual projects planned within the facility detailing the removal locations, contractor, dates, and asbestos amount (changes require a Revision). Planned Renovations that exceed one year in duration require annual progress reports by December 17<sup>th</sup>.