Asbestos Management and Control

AT THE 15TH BLG MEETING FOR RECREATIONAL CLUBS

(11 AUGUST 2015)



ASBESTOS? WHERE IS IT?



ASBESTOS CONTAINING MATERIALS (ACM)

Low-risk ACM are non-friable. The asbestos fibres in these materials are bonded tightly with the basic structure and will not pose immediate danger to human health.

High-risk ACM are **friable**. Improper handling of such ACM may cause release of asbestos fibres.



Low RISK ACM (1)



Canopy sheet 石棉瓦簷篷

Dike and "Retaining Wall" 田 基 或 護 土 牆



Corrugated Asbestos Cement Sheet



波紋石棉水泥瓦片

Low RISK ACM (2)



Rural Villages 鄉郊村落

Residential and Industrial 住宅及工業大廈



Roofing Structure 天台僭建物

Low RISK ACM (3)



Asbestos canopy sheets likely to be disturbed during building renovation



Low RISK ACM (4)



Grille Panel (通花磚) in Staircase, lobby and balcony



Low RISK ACM (5)

Insulation Cloth

電掣箱絕緣墊片



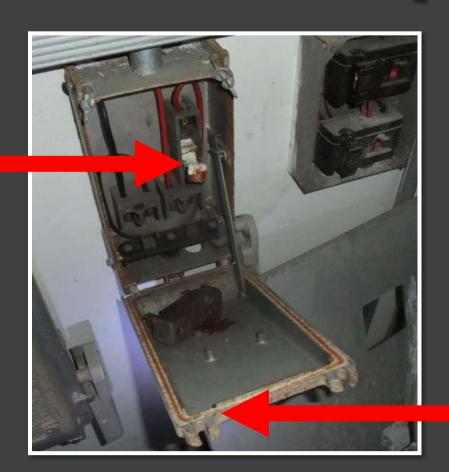


Vinyl Floor Tiles 含石棉的膠地板



Low RISK ACM (6)

Arch Cloth 絕緣布



Rope Seal 絕緣繩



Low RISK ACM (7)



Insulation board 絕緣石膏板



Millboard Paper 絕緣紙



HIGH RISK ACM (1)



Sewage vent pipe 水泥污水管



HIGH RISK ACM (2)

Refuse Chute 大廈垃圾槽





Chimney Lagging 煙囪隔熱物料



HIGH RISK ACM (3)



Flexible Joint 抽風喉管隔熱物料 或彈性接口

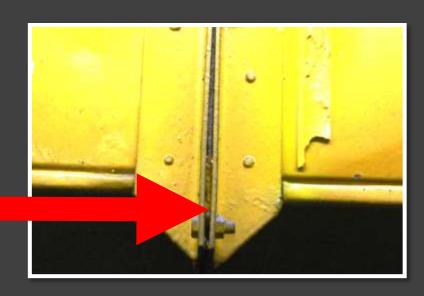


Boiler Lagging 鍋爐隔熱物料





HIGH RISK ACM (4)



Vent Duct Gasket 風喉接駁位襯墊



Boiler Gasket 鍋爐駁位襯墊



HIGH RISK ACM (5)





Rope Lagging 熱水喉隔熱石棉繩



HIGH RISK ACM (6)

Acoustic Ceiling Plaster 吸音批盪物料





Cable Seal 電線槽防火封口物料



空氣污染管制條例

- S.51 Registered Asbestos Professional 註冊石棉專業人士
- Registered Asbestos Consultant 註冊石棉顧問
 - Carry out asbestos survey
 - ▶ Prepare Asbestos Investigation Report (AIR) [石棉調查報告] and Asbestos Abatement Plan (AAP) [石棉消減計劃]
- Registered Asbestos Contractor 註冊石棉承辦商
 - ➤ Undertake Asbestos Abatement Works (AAW)
 [石棉消減工程]



S.51 – Registered Asbestos Professional

- Registered Asbestos Supervisor 註冊石棉監管人
 - Supervise the carrying out of Asbestos Abatement Works (AAW) [監管石棉消減工程的進行]



- Registered Asbestos Laboratory 註冊石棉化驗所
 - ➤ Conduct air monitoring , collect and analyze asbestos samples [進行空氣監測,採集和分析石棉樣品]



Owners of Premises must:

- 1. Hire a Registered Asbestos Consultant to carry out investigation on any asbestos which may be in the premises.
- 2. Submit written notification to EPD 28 days before asbestos work.
- 3. Hire a Registered Asbestos Contractor to carry out AAW or implement AAP.



Owner of Premises (處所擁有人)

- A. <u>Registered owner</u> of a premises (處所的註冊業主)
- B. <u>Tenant</u> (承租人) or <u>Occupier</u> (佔用人)
- c. Contractor who has site possession for construction work (管有工地的承建商)
- D. Management Committee (管理委員會) Incorporated Owner (業主立案法團)
 - Property Management Company (物業管理公司)



S.69 – Investigation for Asbestos

"...The owner of premises which contain...asbestos containing material shall engage a registered asbestos consultant to carry out an investigation on any asbestos containing material which may be in the premises and submit an asbestos investigation report in accordance with section 70 and, if asbestos containing material is found in the premises, an asbestos abatement plan in accordance with section 71 at least 28 days before he carries out any intended asbestos abatement work..."



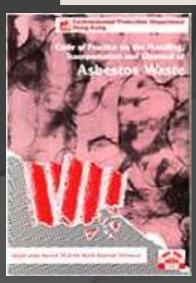
Code of Practice

Environmental Protection Department

- ProPECC PN 2/97: "Handling of Asbestos Containing Materials in Buildings"
- Code of Practice on Asbestos Control
- Code of Practice on the Handling, Transportation and Disposal of Asbestos Waste (WDO, Cap.354)







Code of Practice

Labour Department – Code of Practice

Safety and Health at Work with Asbestos
 《石棉工作的安全與健康》

Buildings Department – Practice Notes

- Authorized Persons ADV-1: "Asbestos"《認可人士、註冊結構工程師及註冊岩土工程師作業備考》
- Registered Contractors PNRC 15 : "Asbestos" ■ 《註冊承建商作業備考》



S.73: Notification of AAW commencement 石棉消減工程的動工通知

 Premises owner must submit written notification to EPD at least 28 days before asbestos abatement work commences.



S.74: Hiring of registered asbestos consultant 委任註冊石棉顧問

The premises owner who implements an asbestos abatement work shall appoint a registered asbestos consultant to supervise the carrying out of the asbestos abatement plan

處所擁有人必須委任一名註冊石棉顧問 監管有關石棉消減計劃的進行



S.75: Hiring of registered asbestos contractor 委任註冊石棉承辦商

 If a Premises Owner implements AAP or carries out work involving ACM, he has to appoint a registered asbestos contractor to carry out the work.



- S.75: Hiring of registered asbestos contractor 委任註冊石棉承辦商
- A registered asbestos contractor shall engage a registered asbestos supervisor stationed continuously at the asbestos abatement area to supervise the carrying out of the asbestos abatement plan

註冊石棉承辦商必須聘用<mark>註冊石棉監管人長駐在石棉消減</mark> 區,以監管石棉消減計劃的進行



S.62 Disciplinary Proceeding 紀律程序

● When the Authority considers a registered asbestos professional (consultant, contractor, supervisor or laboratory) has committed neglect or misconduct (疏忽或失當行為) to the extent that the concerned party is considered unfit to be in the register (除名) or deserving of censure (譴責), the case may be referred to the Administration Committee which may conduct an inquiry (研訊).



Exempted Items: submission of AIR/AAP under S.69 <u>NOT</u> required

- Non-woven Gaskets (非織做石棉襯墊)
- Brake & Clutch Pads (石棉摩擦製品)
- CACS (波紋石棉水泥瓦片) [Except Fire site]
- Asbestos cement water pipes (石棉水泥水管)
- Asbestos blackboard (石棉黑板)
- Insulation Cloth in Fuse Box (電掣箱石棉絕緣墊片)
- Asbestos Vinyl Floor Tiles (石棉膠地板)
- Grille Panel (石棉水泥通花磚)
- Refuse Chute (石棉水泥垃圾槽)





Exempted Items: submission of AIR/AAP under S.69 NOT required

Maintenance, repair, handling or abatement of the following materials installed in properties managed by the Hong Kong Housing Authority

- Grille panel (石棉水泥通花磚)
- Refuse chute (石棉水泥垃圾槽)
- Cement soil stack (石棉水泥排污管)
- Laboratory asbestos bench-top (實驗室石棉檯面)



S.78: Defences 免責辯護

Asbestos work was carried out in an emergency situation.

在緊急情況下,進行石棉工程

 Asbestos work was carried out NOT knowing or could not have reasonably known the presence of asbestos.
 在進行石棉工程時,並不知悉或按理亦不能知悉有含石棉 物料存在



S.79: Asbestos Abatement Notice 石棉消減通知

- (1) Preventive Action: To any premises or plant that contains or may release any asbestos
- Take measures to prevent, control, reduce or eliminate asbestos release.
- Hire registered asbestos consultant to prepare AIR and AAP.
- Hire registered asbestos contractor to implement AAP and carry out AAW.
- Hire registered asbestos laboratory to take sample
 and measure airborne asbestos fibre concentration.

S.79: Asbestos Abatement Notice 石棉消減通知

- (2) Corrective Action: To premises owner to suspend immediately the activity in a premises, and require taking sufficient measures to prevent asbestos release if:
- Any visible asbestos containing material is found (e.g. dust, debris, effluent or contaminated items).
- Any visible dust, debris, etc. is found coming from an AAW work zone (containment or segregation).
- Any exceedance of airborne asbestos fibre monitoring criterion (i.e. 0.01 fibre/mL) from the premises.

S.80 to 84: Banning Asbestos 禁止石棉 (with effect from 4 April 2014)

- Import, transhipment, supply and use of asbestos and ACM other than goods in transit and registered proprietary Chinese medicine are now banned.
- 除豁免過境貨物及已註冊之中成藥外,不可進口、轉運、供應及使用所有類別石棉或含石棉物料。



- Use (使用)
 - Affixing (鋪設)
 - Applying (塗上)
 - Spraying (噴塗)
 - Installing (安裝)
 - Adding (加入)
 - Mixing (混和)
 - Inserting (置入)
 - Wrapping (包裹) ¯

on or in any premises (在任何處所外部或內部)

for manufacturing or producing any product or substance (為製造或生產任何產品或物質)

any material, substance, product or article (任何物料、物質、產品或物品)



S.81: Defences

免責辯護

At the time of the alleged offence the person did not know and could not have reasonably known that the article is asbestos or asbestos containing material

如案發時並<u>不知悉</u> (而按理亦<u>不可能知悉</u>) 物品屬石棉 或含石棉物料



S.83: Exemption from section 80

免受第80條管限

If the Authority considers that the exemption

- is warranted; and
- would be unlikely to lead to a health risk to the community.

監督認為批給豁免是

- <u>有理據支持</u>;並
- ◎ 豁免相當不可能會引致社會人士蒙受健康風險



- S.84: Seizure of asbestos or ACM following section 80 conviction 裁定違反第80條後將石棉或含石棉物料檢取
- The Authority or an authorized officer may seize, remove, destroy or otherwise dispose of the asbestos or ACM
- 監督或獲授權人員可檢取、移除、銷毀或以其他 方式處置與該罪行有關連的石棉或含石棉物料



Compliance of Asbestos Legislation (with AIR and AAP)

Owner to engage an asbestos consultant to investigate if any intended work involves asbestos



Submit AIR and AAP if any non-exempted ACM is found



EPD approval of AIR and AAP



Air monitoring by an asbestos laboratory and supervision by an asbestos consultant



Owner to engage an asbestos contractor to carry out asbestos abatement work



Submit s.73 notification for commencement of work



Submit s.17 notification for disposal of asbestos waste



Submit trip ticket and air monitoring report to EPD



Compliance of Asbestos Legislation (without AIR or AAP)

If only involve exempted items (e.g. CACS, fuse box)



Submit s.73 notification for commencement of work



Owner to engage an asbestos contractor for removal of ACM



Submit trip ticket and air monitoring report to EPD



Submit WDO s.17 notification for disposal of asbestos waste



Air monitoring by registered asbestos laboratory



Criminal Offence 刑事罪行



\$200,000 and 6 months



USEFUL LINKS

Department of Justice Bilingual Laws Information System (BLIS) http://www.legislation.gov.hk/blis/eng/index.html

Environmental Protection Department
 (Asbestos Control)
 http://www.epd.gov.hk/epd/english/environmentinhk/air/asbestos/asbestos.html



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