For your safety – put your health first! Contact a qualified professional.

It is highly recommended to approach all work with caution and follow best practices, laid out by WorkSafeBC. Including, a Hazardous Building Materials Assessment completed by a certified professional before conducting work.



When materials **test positive** for asbestos, contact a qualified company for removal.

Qualified professionals are trained on proper procedures, equipment, containment and abatement.

They will do air quality testing to ensure that no asbestos fibers are left floating in the air.

Looking to find a certified professional?

Visit this link or contact WorkSafeBC. https://www.worksafebc.com/en/healthsafety/education-training-certification/ asbestos-training-certification-licensing/ find-licensed-contractors



Buy the appropriate 6 mil bags at a hardware store.

How to Prepare Materials Containing Asbestos for the Sechelt Landfill

Materials testing positive for asbestos (other than drywall* with asbestos) may be disposed of at the **Sechelt Landfill only**, and must follow these procedures.

1. Bag using 6 mil clear bags

Fill bag so you can easily lift with one hand to shoulder height. For long pipes, seal broken ends in 6 mil plastic.

2. Securely seal

Twist the unused top portion of bag into a tail, seal with duct tape at the base of tail, bend leftover tail section around to make a loop, attach to base of the tail using duct tape.

3. Double bag

Place the first bag into the second bag and repeat sealing procedure. Wipe outside of bags with wet cloth.

4. Clearly label as asbestos

5. Schedule drop-off

Call the Sechelt Landfill at least 24 hours ahead 604-885-6889 to schedule your drop-off between Tuesday to Friday from 10am to 2pm. Landfill staff will then arrange for special landfilling procedures. If you must cancel, please inform landfill staff by 9 am the morning of your scheduled drop-off.

Deliver load & bring test results Your load must have a copy of certified asbestos test results.

*Drywall with asbestos is not accepted at any SCRD facility.

Note: Hazardous Waste Manifest form may be required.



MATERIALS CONTAINING ASBESTOS

This procedure DOES NOT apply to drywall / gypsum.



For safe handling information:

Visit <u>www.scrd.ca/asbestos</u> for more information.

Asbestos

What is asbestos?

Asbestos is a strong, fire-resistant mineral fibre. It was used in a wide variety of materials as insulation against heat or noise, for fire protection, and to increase structural strength in materials such as cement and plaster. Its use in Canada was phased out by the early 1990's.

Why is asbestos a concern?

Asbestos is not a health risk if left intact, but if disturbed, asbestos fibers are released into the air, are easily inhaled, and stay airborne for hours or even days. Repeated exposure can lead to lung cancer and other lethal asbestosrelated diseases. Protect yourself and others by learning more about the health hazards of asbestos. Visit www.worksafebc.com/asbestos.



Testing for Asbestos

- Before work can start a qualified professional must test for asbestos.
- Contact a qualified professional that is licensed to conduct asbestos abatement.
- Costs depend on how many different materials require testing and how fast you want the test results.
- Take every precaution to avoid damaging asbestos materials.

Asbestos Materials: Likely Locations



Testing is Required for the Following Materials

- Ceiling tiles
- Cement (Transite) panels
- Drywall joint compound
- Fire retardant cement board (not HardiePlank)

- Flooring: vinyl tiles and linoleum sheet flooring; flooring adhesive
- Stucco
- Textured ceiling and coatings
- Vermiculite (no testing required, contains asbestos)

Negative Test Results

Materials that have tested negative for asbestos can be delivered to the Sechelt Landfill or Pender Harbour Transfer Station accompanied by negative results within 6 months of the test and it will be handled and charged as regular waste from renovation/demolition. These materials can be delivered during regular operating hours at both facilities.

BC Hazardous Waste Manifest

Loads greater than 5kg being transported by someone other than the building/home owner require a completed **Manifest form. Qualified companies should be well-informed of these requirements and able to assist.