

As per WorkSafeBC, all contractors who will potentially deal with asbestos abatement must be licensed to operate in British Columbia.

This means you should ensure that your asbestos abatement contractor holds a valid Asbestos Abatement Licence (AAL) before permitting them to carry out asbestos abatement work.

Looking to find a certified professional?

Visit this link or contact WorkSafeBC.

<https://www.worksafebc.com/en/health-safety/education-training-certification/asbestos-training-certification-licensing/find-licensed-contractors>

Verifying that your contractor is licensed

Our Asbestos Abatement Licence (AAL) Registry allows businesses, contractors, and homeowners to identify who is, or was, licensed to perform asbestos abatement work in B.C.

Asbestos Abatement Licence Registry ▶

Click Here

Link to OSH Regulation 20.112(1)-(8):

<https://www.worksafebc.com/en/law-policy/occupational-health-safety/searchable-ohs-regulation/ohs-regulation/part-20-construction-excavation-and-demolition#SectionNumber:20.112>

- Asbestos can be found in more than 3,000 building materials.
- Many older buildings contain some form of asbestos.
- Asbestos related lung diseases are preventable, but asbestos remains the single largest killer of workers in BC.
- For asbestos containing materials other than drywall refer to the SCRD's "Materials Containing Asbestos" handout or visit WorkSafeBC at www.worksafebc.com/asbestos.

Did you know?



Reminder: we will not tolerate actions or behaviours that put staff in danger, failure to comply with this procedure and other safety requirements may result in a ban from our sites.

If you have a question about this procedure please contact staff at infrastructure@scrd.ca or 604-885-6806.



DRYWALL / GYPSUM DISPOSAL GUIDE

This guide has information about drywall/gypsum that is accepted and not accepted at Sechelt Landfill and Pender Harbour Transfer Station.

This procedure **does not apply** to other construction materials that may contain asbestos, ex. Ceiling tiles, flooring, stucco, etc.



Changes in effect as of June 2023 are required by WorkSafeBC in order to keep our sites open.

For safe handling information
www.scrd.ca/asbestos

Accepted at our sites.

If your building or drywall / gypsum is **newer than 1990**...

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.

Procedure for disposing of drywall 1990 or newer:

At our sites, test results for asbestos are not required for drywall newer than 1990 as long as you have a date stamp proving the drywall is newer than 1990.

1. Identify a date stamp for each room and each type of drywall that you are looking to dispose.
 - For example, for each colour of painted drywall or different textures, each will need their own date stamp that matches that paint or texture.
2. Keep each type of drywall separated with each date stamp on top of each pile to be disposed.
3. The date stamp **must be clearly visible to the scale attendant upon arrival at our sites**, staff will NOT be handling the drywall and the **public will not be permitted** to disturb their loads.
 - If a date stamp is not visible, you will be asked to leave the site and return with the date stamp(s) visible.
4. After inspecting your date stamp(s). The scale attendant will provide a Drywall Declaration Form that has to be filled out and legible.

Reminder: The scale and site attendants have the final say.

Examples of date stamps:



NOT accepted at this time.

If your building or drywall / gypsum is **older than 1990** or you don't have a date stamp...



The risk of asbestos exposure is extremely high for drywall older than 1990. You must contact a WorkSafeBC certified professional to perform a Hazardous Building Materials Assessment before beginning work.



For those who prefer DIY, companies that used to accept drywall for disposal will NOT work with anyone who has not followed WorkSafeBC procedures.

NOTE: The following is provided as a brief summary.

Find the further details at www.worksafebc.com/asbestos.

Before work can start, contractors or homeowners have to ensure a Hazardous Material Survey is completed by a certified professional.

Certified professionals will follow the appropriate procedures to collect samples, test, analyze and prepare a report. The results will be provided to the homeowner. Some companies **on the mainland** may take drywall for recycling that does not contain asbestos; however, they require a variety of paperwork depending on your circumstance that must be provided by certified professionals. It is encouraged to discuss disposal options with certified professionals after test results have been determined, but before any further work is to begin.

If there is asbestos, qualified workers trained in asbestos abatement are **required to remove the material.**

Before work can start certified professional will submit a "Notice of Project" with written work procedures to WorkSafeBC to warn others of the risk of asbestos.

EVEN IF there is no asbestos, the Sechelt Landfill and the Pender Harbour Transfer Station **cannot accept drywall older than 1990.**

To find certified professionals and important information provided by WorkSafeBC can be found on the back page.

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