



State of Vermont  
**PERMIT AND LICENSE INFORMATION**

<b>PROGRAM FOR ASBESTOS CONTROL</b>
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**SUMMARY  
DESCRIPTION  
OF PERMIT**

Some buildings contain hazardous materials. Asbestos is a common building material that may cause harmful health effects. The Asbestos and Lead Regulatory Program works to protect Vermonters from exposure to asbestos when maintaining, renovating, or demolishing buildings and when cleaning up after a fire, flooding, or storm damage.

*Facility - Any institutional, commercial, public, private, or industrial structure, installation, building or facility grounds/property.*

*Renovation - Altering in any way one or more facility or structural components.*

*Demolition - The wrecking or taking out of any load supporting structural member of a facility together with any related handling operations or the intentional burning of any facility*

**EXAMPLES OF  
REGULATED  
ACTIVITY**

Demolition of a building; Renovation of a commercial building; Removal of a home after flood damage; Any renovation or demolition of a facility

**REQUIREMENTS**

**ASSESSMENT REQUIRED:** Prior to conducting any renovation or demolition activities, the building owner or operator must thoroughly inspect the affected facility for the presence of asbestos-containing materials. Vermont Regulations for Asbestos Control require that only Vermont certified asbestos inspectors can conduct asbestos assessments. A listing of certified asbestos inspectors can be found at the Vermont [Department of Health's website](#).

**ABATEMENT:** All certified asbestos contractors must notify the department at least 10 working days in advance of the asbestos abatement. Abatement may not start until the contractor has received the permit. Vermont Regulations for Asbestos Control require that all asbestos in any amount that will be disturbed, be removed (abated) prior to the renovation or demolition activity. Only Vermont certified asbestos contractors can conduct asbestos abatement activities. A listing of certified asbestos contractors can be found at the Vermont [Department of Health's website](#).

There are certification exemptions and less stringent abatement work practice requirements for certain materials listed in Section 6 of the Vermont Regulations for Asbestos Control.

**EXEMPTIONS**

Certain exemptions may exist for owner-occupied single-family residences and non-rental second homes. The Vermont Department of Health's Asbestos and Lead Regulatory Program can provide an assessment of the types of exemptions which may exist on a case-by-case basis.

**WEB ADDRESS**

<http://www.healthvermont.gov/environment/asbestos-lead>

**FEES**

Fees are based on quantity of asbestos containing material involved in each project. Please see 18 V.S.A. § 1334 for details:  
<https://legislature.vermont.gov/statutes/section/18/026/01334>

**APPLICATION TIME FRAME**

At least 10 working days in advance

**ADMINISTERING AGENCY**

<b>AGENCY OF HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH</b>	
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**AUTHORITY**

18 V.S.A. Chapter 26

**APPLICABLE RULES**

[Vermont Regulations for Asbestos Control, 1995 \(VRAC\)](#)  
National Emissions Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAPs)

**APPEAL PROCESS**

A decision of the Commissioner of Health may be appealed to the Board of Health pursuant to 18 V.S.A. § 128(a).

**OTHER PERMITS & APPROVALS**

For regulations on disposal of asbestos: Department of Environmental Conversation, Waste Management and Prevention Division, 802-828-1138.