



**TOWN of SABATTUS**  
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## Demolition Permit Application

**You must complete a separate form for each structure**

**PROJECT ADDRESS** \_\_\_\_\_

**OWNER** \_\_\_\_\_ **PHONE** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS** \_\_\_\_\_

**CONTRACTOR** \_\_\_\_\_ **PHONE** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS** \_\_\_\_\_

☐ COMPLETE DEMOLITION

☐ GOVERNMENT ORDERED DEMOLITION (ATTACH COPY OF ORDER)

☐ RENOVATION, ALTERATION, REMODELING, OTHER

☐ MOVING ☐ OFF LOT ☐ ON SAME LOT

Asbestos present Y N Will asbestos be removed Y N

Survey attached Y N

Start Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Completion Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Structure(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Dimensions of Structure(s) \_\_\_\_\_

**ALL APPLICATIONS FOR A DEMOLITION PERMIT SHALL BE  
ACCOMPANIED BY A SITE PLAN SHOWING STRUCTURES TO BE  
DEMOLISHED AND THE LOCATION/SIZE OF EXISTING STRUCTURES  
THAT ARE TO REMAIN ON THE SITE.**

I hereby certify that I have read and examined this document and know the same to be true and correct. All provisions of laws and ordinances governing this type of work will be complied with whether specified herein or not. I further certify that I am the owner or the owner's authorized agent and that the proposed work is authorized by the owner. I understand that this application is not a permit to begin work and work shall not begin until the permit is issued by the building official, that I am responsible for calling for all required inspections and that work shall be accessible for inspections. Fees are non-refundable. This permit application is only for the work described above. Every permit issued shall become invalid unless the work authorized by such permit is commenced within 180 days after its issuance, or if the work authorized by such permit is suspended or abandoned for a period of 180 days after the time the work is commenced.

**PRINT NAME** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
**PROPERTY OWNERS SIGNATURE**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**DATE**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**AGENT'S SIGNATURE if applicable)**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**DATE**

**FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY**

APPLICATION RECEIVED ON: \_\_\_\_\_

MAP \_\_\_\_\_

LOT \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED \_\_\_\_\_

NOT APPROVED \_\_\_\_\_

PERMIT # \_\_\_\_\_

FEE \_\_\_\_\_

## **Asbestos Inspections Required Prior to Demolitions and Renovations**

In Maine, improper demolition activities may be the greatest single source of asbestos exposure to the general public and to trades people working on the project. Prior to demolition or renovation of a building, the owner must ensure that the work will not disturb more than 3 square feet or 3 linear feet of asbestos-containing material (ACM). Owners of buildings, other than residential buildings with less than 5 units, must have a DEP-licensed Asbestos Consultant inspect the building (or area) for asbestos. Residential buildings with 2-5 units can be surveyed for likely asbestos-containing materials by knowledgeable non-licensed people (e.g. building inspectors and CEO's who have asbestos-awareness training); any materials likely to contain asbestos must be tested by a DEP-certified inspector or assumed to be ACM.

If ACM is identified in a building that will be demolished, or any building materials are assumed to be ACM, these materials must be removed by a DEP-licensed Asbestos Abatement Contractor before the demolition. Similarly, if any ACM is identified or assumed in areas of a building that will undergo renovation, the ACM must be removed by a DEP-licensed Asbestos Abatement Contractor before the renovation occurs. Intact asbestos-containing flooring and roofing may be left in place during demolition of a building if the demolition is performed by a DEP-licensed Asbestos Abatement Contractor using large equipment in accordance with the Maine "Asbestos Management Regulations".

### **Demolition Notification**

State and federal regulations require that building owners notify the DEP at least 5 working days prior to demolition of a building (other than single-family residences). This notification is required **even if no asbestos is identified in the building**. Forms are available from DEP and your local code enforcement office.

**Please note:** OSHA regulates asbestos anytime an employer/employee relationship exists. OSHA worker protection rules exist and must be followed for abatement activities. Contact the local OSHA office with questions.

## Demolition Fact Sheet

(207) 287-2651

### **What is asbestos?**

Asbestos is a general term for several kinds of natural mineral fibers that have been used to strengthen and fireproof materials for nearly 4,000 years. The fibers are recovered from asbestos ore mined primarily in Canada, Russia, and South Africa. In addition to being good insulators, asbestos fibers are strong, flexible, fireproof, and very resistant to chemical attack.

### **What products contain asbestos?**

Asbestos is found in a wide a variety of products. It has been used to manufacture nearly 3,500 products such as pipe insulation, boiler covering, sprayed-on acoustical plaster, vinyl floor products, rigid siding, cement pipe, gaskets, paints, paper, textiles, and friction materials like disc brakes. Buildings constructed before 1980 are very likely to contain some asbestos products.

### **Is asbestos a health or environmental problem?**

The presence of asbestos in such a wide variety of consumer products means that most Americans have been exposed, over time, to this mineral to one degree or another. For the vast majority of Americans who have never worked with asbestos, the exposure received in their lifetime should have no significant health effects. However, for those exposed to large amounts of asbestos for significant periods of time, there may be serious health consequences. Prolonged high exposure to asbestos fibers has been shown to cause asbestosis (lung scarring), lung cancer, mesothelioma, and several internal cancers such as cancers of the stomach and larynx. People who have been exposed to asbestos who also smoke have a much greater chance of disease than nonsmokers.

### **Is all asbestos potentially dangerous?**

Asbestos products are potentially dangerous if they release asbestos fibers to the air where the fibers can enter the body through the lungs. Friable asbestos, such as pipe and boiler covering and spray-on insulation, is the asbestos of primary concern. It easily releases asbestos fibers into the air when crushed, handled or disturbed. Asbestos that is in good condition or in a form that does not easily release fibers is much less of a hazard. This means that well-maintained asbestos or asbestos tightly bound into materials like vinyl or cement is much less likely to release asbestos fibers.

**What are the laws regarding asbestos?**

In Maine, the asbestos regulations apply to any work that impacts greater than 3 square feet or 3 linear feet of asbestos. The Maine "Asbestos Management Regulations" require that the Department be notified prior to removal or repair of asbestos, that companies performing inspection, monitoring, design, training, asbestos analysis or abatement be licensed with the Department, and that certain work practices be followed to protect employees and the public. Also, individuals working for the licensed companies must be trained and certified with the Department.

Engineering controls, such as polyethylene "containments", negative pressure ventilation, and wet methods, are basic requirements in the asbestos regulations of both the Maine DEP and the U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA). Engineering controls minimize the potential for asbestos fiber release in and out of the asbestos work area. The importance of utilizing proper engineering controls on an asbestos project can not be overemphasized. Maximum allowable employee exposures are regulated by OSHA and personal protective equipment (suits, respirators, etc.) and hygiene standards are prescribed. Protective equipment is to be used only in conjunction with engineering controls and not as a "standalone" defense against inhalation of asbestos fibers.

**Who regulates asbestos?**

Several state and federal agencies regulate asbestos in Maine including:

- Maine Department of Environmental Protection (DEP): Primary asbestos contact in Maine. Responsibilities include regulating licensing, notification, training, storage, transportation, disposal and work practices for removal, inspection, design, monitoring, and analysis of asbestos. Telephone number: 287-2651.
- Federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Regulations include the Asbestos-Containing Materials in Schools Rule (ASHERA - 40 CFR Part 763), the National Emissions Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP - 40 CFR Part 61), and the Worker Protection Rule (Subpart G to 40 CFR Part 763). The Maine DEP is delegated to implement the ASHERA and NESHAP rules in Maine. EPA telephone numbers are available from the DEP.
- Federal OSHA: responsibilities include regulating employee exposure to asbestos in the workplace through the asbestos construction and industry standards (29 CFR Parts 1926 and 1910). Telephone number: (207) 780-3178.

**What if I have additional questions about asbestos?**

The DEP regulates most asbestos activities in Maine and acts as an asbestos information clearinghouse. For more information about asbestos, contact the Asbestos Hazard Prevention Program in the Bureau of Remediation & Waste Management at 207/287-2651 or visit the web site at [www.maine.gov/dep/rwm/asbestos/index.htm](http://www.maine.gov/dep/rwm/asbestos/index.htm)

**Written correspondence should be sent to:**

Lead & Asbestos Hazard Prevention Program  
Maine Department of Environmental Protection  
17 State House Station  
Augusta, ME 04333-0017

