

# TRANSFER & LANDFILL OPERATIONS ASBESTOS WASTE DISPOSAL POLICY

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중요정보: 번역해주세요 اطلاعات مهم: لطفا درخواست كنيد كه اين اطلاعات را براي شما ترجمه كنند INFORMACIÓN IMPORTANTE: Busque a alguien que le traduzca RENSEIGNEMENTS IMPORTANTS: Prière de les faire traduire 重要な情報: これを翻訳してください معلومات مهمة: البحث على الترجمة

This policy is in place to protect customers and Staff at the Vancouver South Transfer Station and VancouverLandfill from exposure to asbestos, and to meet regulatory requirements.

Asbestos-containing material is defined in Part 6 of the <u>Occupational Health and Safety Regulation</u>. Information onhow to identify and prevent exposure from asbestos-containing materials is available online from <u>WorkSafeBC</u>.

As of January 1, 2024, asbestos abatement contractors must be licensed to operate in British Columbia, and anyone performing asbestos abatement work must complete mandatory safety training and obtain certificates.

Employers and workers: Learn more at Asbestos training, certification & licensing - WorkSafeBC

## General Asbestos Waste Disposal Information

- Asbestos waste from municipalities within Metro Vancouver is accepted for disposal at the Vancouver Landfill, except for used drywall (gypsum) with mud or joint compound containing asbestos.
- Used drywall is only accepted at the Landfill from residents, and must be bagged according to the <u>Used</u> <u>Gypsum Disposal Instructions</u>. A maximum of 10 bags are accepted per visit, up to 5 visits per year.
- Vermiculite blown-in insulation, blown-in insulation and pre-1990 acoustic ceiling tiles are only accepted at the Landfill as asbestos waste, with the exception of blown-in insulation and pre-1990 acoustic ceiling tiles that have been tested for asbestos and none was detected. Email test results to <a href="mailto:landfilloperations@vancouver.ca">landfilloperations@vancouver.ca</a> to request disposal of these materials as garbage at the Transfer Station or Landfill.
- Disposal rates for asbestos waste are available online at vancouver.ca/landfill

## Asbestos Waste Containment Requirements

- All types of asbestos waste must be double-bagged and sealed in non-woven plastic (poly) bags or sheets that are a minimum of 0.15 mm or 6 mil thick.
- Bags must be individually sealed with a goose-neck style knot and duct tape. Sheets must be individually sealed with duct tape. The outer bag or sheet must be clearly labelled 'asbestos'.
- Additional instructions for specific materials:
  - Vermiculite and other asbestos insulation should be wetted then double-bagged.
  - If insulation containing asbestos is wrapped around a pipe, disposal of the entire pipe is often safest.
  - Asbestos-cement (transite) pipe and pipe with asbestos in the coating material (e.g. coal tar) must be double wrapped and sealed in plastic.
  - Hot water tanks lined with asbestos must be double wrapped and sealed in plastic.

Current to March 6, 2024

### Residential Asbestos Waste Requirements

- Residential asbestos waste is transported by a homeowner from their home to the Landfill.
- Loads of 10 bags or fewer are accepted 7 days per week.
- Loads of 11 bags or more are ONLY accepted Monday to Friday, 8am 2pm, excluding holidays. Notification at least 2 business days before delivery is required by email to <u>landfilloperations@vancouver.ca</u>. Use the subject 'Asbestos Notification' and include the license plate number in the body of the message.
- A home renovation shouldn't actually take your breath away WorkSafeBC
- Commercial Asbestos Waste Requirements are continued on Page 2.

## Commercial Asbestos Waste Requirements

- Commercial asbestos waste is delivered by someone other than the homeowner; typically, an individual or company that receives compensation.
- <u>All loads require a Hazardous Waste Movement Document/Manifest</u> which can be purchased from FrontCounter BC Surrey (604.586.4400).
- Loads are ONLY accepted Monday to Friday, 8am 2pm, excluding holidays.
- Notification at least 2 business days before delivery is required by email to
   <u>landfilloperations@vancouver.ca</u>. Use the subject 'Asbestos Notification' and include the company name,
   license plate number(s), number of loads, and approximate volume per load in the body of the message.
- For load cancellation, call the Landfill Office at 604.606.2700 by 11am on the day of delivery, otherwise you may receive a fee.
- The maximum container size is 40 cubic yards.
- Sealed drums are not acceptable asbestos waste containers.
- If bin liners are to be used for primary containment, two bin liners are required. Each liner must be a minimum of 6 mil thick and individually sealed. A single bin liner is sufficient if the asbestos waste is already double-bagged and sealed in non-woven plastic bags or sheets that are a minimum of 6 mil thick.
- Loads of friable asbestos in excess of 1000 kg must comply with *Transportation of Goods* requirements including having a Consignor Generator Identification number (CGI) obtainable from the Ministry of Environment (Surrey Office, 604.582.5200), and a placard indicating the vehicle is carrying hazardous waste.

**For more information on this policy** call 3-1-1 or 604.873.7000 from outside Vancouver. The City of Vancouver reserves the right to change this policy at any time without notification.