Commercial Asbestos Demolition/Renovation

All asbestos containing materials are to be removed from the structure, or affected portion of the structure, prior to any demolition. [Source: Env-C 404.04(a)]

For building exteriors or outdoor abatements of ACM, including removal of siding and roofing materials, contact the Waste Management Division, Department of Environmental Services, at (603) 271-2925 for information concerning requirements of a Site Safety and Contingency Plan. (Source: Env-Wm 2601, Env-C 406.05)

NOTE: Major asbestos abatement projects involving the abatement of regulated asbestos containing materials require the use of a licensed asbestos abatement contractor unless otherwise exempted. (Source: RSA 141-E)

General Work Requirements for Asbestos Abatement Projects

Types of Asbestos	Non-regulated Asbestos Containing Material	Non-regulated Asbestos Containing Materials Rendered Regulated	Regulated Asbestos Containing Material
Removal by Licensed Abatement Contractor Required	NO	YES	YES
Removal by General Contractor Allowed	YES	NO	NO
Air Monitoring Required	YES	YES	YES
Competent Person Present	YES	YES	YES
Approved Site Safety & Contingency Plan Required	YES	YES	YES
Proper Removal Technique Required	YES	YES	YES
Personal Protection Required	YES	YES	YES
Proper Packing & Labeling Required	YES	YES	YES
Proper Transport & Disposal Required	YES	YES	YES
Reporting Requirements Specified	YES	YES	YES

Categories of Asbestos Containing Material (ACM)

Friable ACM means any material which contains more than 1 percent asbestos and can be crumbled, pulverized, or reduced to powder by hand pressure.

Nonfriable ACM means any material which contains more than 1 percent asbestos and cannot be pulverized under hand pressure. Nonfriable ACM is divided into two categories. Category I includes packings, gaskets, resilient floor covering, and asphalt roofing products. Category II is any nonfriable ACM not included in Category I.

Note: Regulated Asbestos Containing Material Includes:

- A. friable asbestos
- B. category I non-friable asbestos materials (packings, gaskets, resilient floor coverings and asphalt roofing products) that have become friable
- C. category I non-friable asbestos materials that will be, or have been subjected to sanding, grinding, cutting, or abrading.
- D. category II non-friable asbestos materials (any non-friable asbestos materials not included in category I) that have a high probability of becoming or has become crumble, pulverized, or powder by the forces expected to act on the material in the course of demolition or renovation operations.

Removal of non-regulated material should stress a minimum of breakage.

The National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) guidelines suggest no more than 10% breakage.

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) regulations requires asbestos training for all asbestos roof work 29 CFR 1926.1101 (f)(2)(iii).