



Hazardous Material Reporting Information Handout

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Purpose

To provide information to owners, contractors, design professionals and permit holders regarding WorkSafeBC requirements for hazardous material reporting.

This information is provided for convenience only. It does not substitute applicable WorkSafeBC OHS regulations, District Bylaws, Provincial and Federal statutes, regulations or laws.

General Information

WorkSafeBC requires a survey for hazardous materials be completed by a qualified person, as defined in the Occupational Health and Safety regulations (OHS) G6.1-1, in buildings constructed prior to 1990 before any demolition or renovation work begins. Follow the WorkSafeBC OHS regulations, Part 20: Demolition and Part 6: Asbestos and Lead.

Hazardous materials include asbestos-containing material, lead, any other heavy metals, toxic, flammable, explosive material or others. All hazardous materials that will be disturbed must be identified, abated and properly disposed of in accordance with relevant Provincial and Federal legislation.

For further information and resources, please visit worksafebc.com or call 604 276 3100.

Demolition or Building Permit Requirements

To ensure the safety of workers and the public, the District of North Vancouver is implementing the following procedure to ensure that demolition activities in the District are undertaken in a safe, reasonable and sustainable manner. It is the responsibility of the building owner and employer to ensure that hazardous materials are inventoried, removed and recycled or disposed of prior to demolition of the building in accordance with all relevant regulations. **The abatement of the site must not proceed until a building or demolition permit has been issued.**

Failure to comply with this may result in a Stop Work Order, delays in permit processing and the imposition of additional fees and/or fines where appropriate.

Documents that provide evidence these materials have been identified, removed and disposed properly are required to be posted on site and produced upon request of District Inspectors.

After Issuance of a Building Permit

For **renovations and additions**, prior to scheduling for an inspection for the permitted work, the property owner or contractor must submit to the District a written confirmation by a qualified person that the hazardous materials has been safely removed or contained. Failure to provide the report will result in no inspection being booked and possible delays of the project.