WorkSafeBC is implementing mandatory training and licensing for asbestos abatement work to help keep workers safe from the danger of asbestos. 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.

For employers

- Any employer conducting asbestos abatement work in relation to buildings will need a licence to do this work. This includes renovation, demolition, transporting asbestos waste, and/or performing asbestos surveys.
- Independent asbestos abatement operators are not required to be licensed but do need to be certified.







For workers

 Anyone conducting asbestos abatement work in relation to buildings must be certified. The level of certification required depends on the type of asbestos work being done.

For homeowners

 As of January 1, 2024, any contractor doing asbestos abatement work in your home must be licensed to do that work.

Learn more

Employers and workers: Learn more at worksafebc.com/ asbestos-certification-licensing.

Homeowners: Learn more at thinkasbestos.com.

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