

## City of Dunedin, Florida Asbestos Notification Facility Owners and Contractors

(Florida Building Code, Asbestos Notification Statement)

By signing the "Building Permit Application", you certify that you have complied, or will comply with all Federal, State and County laws and regulations pertaining to asbestos removal. By your signature you are also certifying that you understand the requirements stated in the paragraph below, and further understand that there may be additional requirements within these rules, which also apply to you. You further understand that any violations of these requirements can result in monetary penalties to the building owners, building lessees, and their respective contractors. Additional penalties for failing to comply with asbestos rules may include criminal prosecution under federal law and contractor license forfeiture/suspension under State law.

A thorough asbestos inspection (survey) is required prior to demolition or renovation activities at a facility. A State licensed asbestos consultant must perform the survey. If asbestos is identified in the survey, and it is predicted that asbestos will be disturbed in any way, a State licensed asbestos contractor must remove it first. Additionally, written notification must be mailed or delivered to the Pinellas County Air Quality Division ten working days prior to facility load supporting members either being moved or removed (demolitions) and prior to asbestos removal projects.

- The definition of demolition includes the moving and removal of <u>load</u> supporting members from a facility.
- Facility is defined as any institutional, commercial, public, industrial, or residential structure, installation, or building (including any structure, installation, or building containing condominiums or individual dwelling units operated as a residential cooperative; any ship; and any active or inactive waste disposal site; excluding a single (1) family residential building, a single mobile home (1), and an apartment building having four or fewer dwelling units. The residential exemption is voided if the structure is part of a larger project (more than one building or structure).
- Other items considered to be structures include: mobile homes, portable classrooms, ships, billboards, piers, bridges, utility towers, pools, water basins, and agricultural bins and tanks.
- A structural member is defined as "any load-supporting member of a facility, such as beams and load supporting walls; or any non-load supporting member, such as ceilings and non-load supporting walls.

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For additional information about asbestos: <u>http://www.pinellascounty.org/environment/airquality/</u>

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## City of Dunedin, Florida Asbestos Notification Residential Homeowner Exemption

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You, as the owner and occupier of a single-family residence, not for sale or lease, may undertake the moving, removal or disposal of asbestos-containing materials on your own residential building. To qualify for the licensing exemption, (subject to the limitations provide below) an owner must personally appear and sign the building permit application. Please note; this exemption only applies to the owner of the home and does not apply to contractors.

State law requires asbestos removal to be done by licensed contractors. You have applied for a permit under an exemption to that law. The exemption allows you, as the owner of your property, to act as your own asbestos removal contractor even though you do not have a license. You must supervise the construction yourself. You may move, remove or dispose of asbestos-containing materials on a residential building where you occupy the building and the building is not for sale or lease, or the building is a farm outbuilding on your property. If you sell or lease such building within 1 year after the asbestos abatement is complete, the law will presume that you intended to sell or lease the property at the time the work was done, which is a violation of this exemption. You may not hire an unlicensed person as your contractor. Your work must be done according to all local, state and federal laws and regulations, which apply to asbestos abatement projects. It is your responsibility to make sure that people employed by you have licenses required by state law and by county or municipal licensing ordinances.

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