# 228 Belsize Road NW6 4BT

# Refurbishment Survey Asbestos Report – Copy 1



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### Guide to the Use of Base Consultants Surveys

This instruction sheet must be read before gleaning information from the survey.

Failure to use the information provided in the survey correctly may result in incorrect information or assumptions being obtained.

The following procedures should be adopted when identifying asbestos within a room or area.

#### The introduction and limitations of method should be read.

This should be carried out in order to identify general areas within the building that were not accessed, or general areas or materials that may contain an asbestos content which are not shown on the drawings or within the asbestos register. These may include areas such as electrical equipment and materials such as asbestos fuse linings within electrical switchgear.

All areas of no access should be considered as containing asbestos until proven otherwise.

#### The area or room should be located on the drawings provided.

A check should be made of all surrounding areas to ensure work carried out within the specified area does not affect asbestos elsewhere within the building.

For example, an asbestos firebreak above an entrance door between two rooms may only be reported once. It is therefore essential that all adjacent areas are checked within this report. Rooms above and below and external to the specified area should also be considered.

#### The specified area or room should be located within the Asbestos Register.

Findings will be listed for a room generally if either asbestos or probable asbestos has been identified. (With the exception of general areas outlined within the introduction and limitations of method).

If asbestos is identified, then a recommendation has been given and an assessment made.

#### **Hazard Risk Assessment**

Before undertaking any works on areas that contain asbestos or before changing the areas designated usage a risk assessment should be carried out to ascertain the possibility of exposure to asbestos.

#### **Conclusions and Actions**

A list of the relevant actions and an indication of the urgency can be found within the Executive Summary.

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#### SITE:

### 1.0 Executive Summary

The brief for these works was to carry out a standard Refurbishment and Demolition Survey (as defined in HSG 264) for the presence of asbestos containing materials within the following locations: 228 Belsize road Ground & Basement Levels

The following sections summarise the locations where asbestos has been identified and any locations that were inaccessible during the survey works. Further details relating to these can be found in Sections 3 and 4 of this report.

#### 1.1 Asbestos Materials Identified

Floor	Area	Sample number	Item Description	Risk Assessment Score	Recommendation
n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

Note: Locations of samples are located on the drawing

The recommendations for the treatment of ACMs within this report are defaulted to 'REMOVE'. This is because it has been assumed that any asbestos materials identified will be affected by the demolition or refurbishment; if the ACM will not be disturbed by the refurbishment works then it is possible for it to remain in situ. Where ACMs are retained, they must be recorded within the Asbestos Register and addressed in accordance with the Asbestos Management Plan.

#### 1.2 Rooms / Locations - No Access Gained

No access has been gained into the following locations:						
Floor Location Comments Photograph						
n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a			

#### 1.3 Rooms / Locations - Limited Access Gained

Limited access has been gained into the following locations:						
Building Location Comments Photograph						
n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a			

N.B -	Asbestos shou	uld be presume	d to be pro	esent with	in all i	locations	not d	accessed	until a	ı further	assessme	nt can	be
under	taken.												

### 1.4 Non asbestos materials identified

Floor	Location	Sample Number	Item Description
Basement	B03	S001	pipes
Basement	B03	S002	Wrapping
Basement	G01	S003	Artex
Basement	G01	S004	Render
Ground	EX01	S005	Felt

#### 2.0 Introduction

The purpose of a Refurbishment and Demolition Survey, as defined within the HSE publication HSG 264 Asbestos: The Survey Guide is to locate and describe, as far as reasonably practicable, the presence and extent of any suspect asbestos containing material (ACM) in the area where the refurbishment will take place or in the whole building if demolition is planned. The survey is fully intrusive and involves destructive inspection, as necessary, to gain access to all areas. Any exclusions applicable to the survey are listed within Section 3 of the report and have been pre-agreed with the client.

The inspection and testing were conducted during normal working hours of operation minimizing any disruption to the occupiers as far as practical. It should be noted that occupied buildings place certain restrictions on the scope of the survey in respect of access and sampling strategy.

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Each section of this report focuses on one or two aspects; no section should be taken and read as a stand-alone document. It is imperative that each section is read in conjunction with each other.

#### **Initial Observations**

Scope/Extent of Survey: Refurbishment/Management

Date of construction: Unknown Construction Type: Brick

Comments: Refurbishment survey carried out to Basement and ground level conservatory. Management survey

carried out to ground floor.

#### **Methodology and Limitations of Method**

The survey has been undertaken in accordance with the HSE publication HSG 264 Asbestos: The Survey Guide. The survey involves a thorough visual examination of all building materials, as far as reasonably practicable with representative samples taken to confirm the location and extent of any ACMs. Once materials have been found to contain asbestos other similar materials used in the same way in the building can be strongly presumed to contain asbestos. This includes taking dust samples from areas where contamination is suspected but does not include random dust sampling.

Although every care has been taken to identify all asbestos bearing products within this area, this survey does not include those areas where obtaining a sample would have caused undue damage to the building, risk the safety of our operatives or where access could not be gained. Asbestos should be assumed to be present within areas any areas not surveyed until a further assessment can be carried out.

Analysis under Polarized Light Microscopy of textured coating samples may not always reveal the presence of asbestos due to the non-homogeneous nature of asbestos within such coatings; this can lead to a large variance in the probability of identifying asbestos within any sample collected. Identification and sampling of materials beneath any textured coating is limited to the specific location of the textured coating sample point. It should also be noted that asbestos may exist in paint with no obvious textured appearance. Random sampling of such paint is not carried out routinely by Base Consultants Ltd unless specifically requested.

Materials have been referred to as Asbestos Insulation Board or Asbestos Cement based upon their asbestos content and visual appearance alone. Water absorption testing, as detailed within L143, has not been carried out unless stated otherwise.

Where asbestos gaskets to pipe flanges have been identified it is not practical to trace these throughout the length of pipework within the property. All such gaskets are presumed to contain asbestos.

Unless specifically identified within the report, no responsibility can be accepted by Base Consultants Ltd for non-systematic use of asbestos within the property.

Unless specifically identified within the report, no responsibility can be accepted by Base Consultants Ltd, for stored or portable items of asbestos.

This survey does not constitute a contaminated land investigation.

Material extents are approximations only, assigned by the surveyor at the time of the survey. It should be noted that such extents may be for specific, visible amounts of the asbestos item and not for the complete amount. As such, the stated extents should not be used as a basis of any Scope or Specifications of Works for that item.

A representation of all materials suspected of containing asbestos are sampled and analyzed in accordance with, *Asbestos: The analysts' guide* for sampling, analysis and clearance procedures, HSG 264. Those materials not sampled have been extrapolated from similar samples. These samples are indicated within the Register

It should be noted that this report is not intended as a scope of works for asbestos removal and that a detailed technical document could be provided upon request.

Refurbishment & Demolition Survey Requirements - Any areas not accessed are highlighted below and presumed to contain asbestos.						
Investigative Requirement - Rased						
on Scope detailed in Section 3	Access Required?	Comment				
Cavity walls	Yes	Where applicable				
Partition Walls	Yes	Where applicable				
Glazing	Yes	Where applicable				
Frames	Yes	Where applicable				
Floorboards	Yes	Where applicable				
External Manholes	N/A	N/A				
Floor ducts – (specific details / layout	Yes	Where applicable				
needed) requiring specialist lifting						
equipment.						
(Specify if Covered floor ducts or known						
concealed floor ducts?)						
Slab - Core drilling required.	N/A	N/A				
(specify depth / diameter)						
Lift Shafts	N/A	N/A				
Concealed Risers	Yes	Where applicable				
Ventilation trunking	Yes	Yes				
(Fume trunking should be specifically						
identified and assessed?)						
Confined Spaces	N/A	N/A				
High level elevations up to 6 metres –	N/A	N/A				
Tower scaffold						
Access required above 6 metres –	N/A	N/A				
MEWP / fixed scaffold						
Loft spaces – Access required	Yes	N/A				
(Note access will only be made where						
safe access and enough walkways are						
available)						
Electrical Switchgear	Yes	Where Isolated				
Plant / Equipment	Yes	Where applicable				
Access required beyond known	N/A	N/A				
Asbestos installations						
Access required beyond Asbestos	N/A	N/A				
installations identified during the survey						
(If yes, a separate quote will be						
provided and may require an additional						
visits)						
Roof access requiring specialist	N/A	N/A				
equipment / training						
Other	N/A	N/A				

Note: If any activities are to be undertaken within the above areas then a further survey and assessment should be carried out prior to these works.

### 4.0 Asbestos Register

### 4.1 Summary of Buildings

Findings and Recommendations for ACMs identified are found as follows:				
Comments Page No.				
N/A	N/A			

Lead Surveyor	K .Jones	Sample Number	S001
Survey Type	R&D	Location	B03
Survey Date	27/04/2020	Position	Pipework
Next Inspection	n/a	Material	Wrapping
Level of ID	I	Analytical Result	NADIS
		Extent	Ilm



Description: Wrapping to pipe
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	Score
MATERIAL ASSESSMENT	
Product Type	n/a
Condition	n/a
Surface Treatment	n/a
Asbestos Type	n/a
PRIORITY ASSESSMENT	
Occupancy	n/a
Likelihood of Disturbance	n/a
Exposure Potential	n/a
Maintenance Activity	n/a
Risk Assessment Score	

RECOMMENDATIONS	No action Required

Lead Surveyor	K .Jones	Sample Number	S002
Survey Type	R&D	Location	B03
Survey Date	27/04/2020	Position	Cables
Next Inspection	n/a	Material	Wrapping
Level of ID		Analytical Result	NADIS
		Extent	<20LM



Description: Wrapping to Cable	

	Score
MATERIAL ASSESSMENT	
Product Type	n/a
Condition	n/a
Surface Treatment	n/a
Asbestos Type	n/a
PRIORITY ASSESSMENT	
Occupancy	n/a
Likelihood of Disturbance	n/a
Exposure Potential	n/a
Maintenance Activity	n/a
Risk Assessment Score	

RECOMMENDATIONS	No action Required
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Lead Surveyor	K .Jones	Sample Number	S003
Survey Type	R&D	Location	G01
Survey Date	27/04/2020	Position	Stairs
Next Inspection	n/a	Material	Textured Coating
Level of ID	I	Analytical Result	NADIS
		Extent	6m2



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	Score
MATERIAL ASSESSMENT	
Product Type	n/a
Condition	n/a
Surface Treatment	n/a
Asbestos Type	n/a
PRIORITY ASSESSMENT	
Occupancy	n/a
Likelihood of Disturbance	n/a
Exposure Potential	n/a
Maintenance Activity	n/a
Risk Assessment Score	

RECOMMENDATIONS	No action Required	
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Lead Surveyor	K .Jones	Sample Number	S004
Survey Type	R&D	Location	G01
Survey Date	27/04/2020	Position	Stairwell
Next Inspection	n/a	Material	Artex
Level of ID		Analytical Result	NADIS
_		Extent	15m2



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	Score
MATERIAL ASSESSMENT	
Product Type	n/a
Condition	n/a
Surface Treatment	n/a
Asbestos Type	n/a
PRIORITY ASSESSMENT	
Occupancy	n/a
Likelihood of Disturbance	n/a
Exposure Potential	n/a
Maintenance Activity	n/a
Risk Assessment Score	

RECOMMENDATIONS	No action Required
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Lead Surveyor	K .Jones	Sample Number	S005
Survey Type	R&D	Location	EX01
Survey Date	27/04/2020	Position	Roof
Next Inspection	n/a	Material	Felt
Level of ID		Analytical Result	NADIS
_		Extent	20m2



Description: Felt to conservatory roof

	Score
MATERIAL ASSESSMENT	
Product Type	n/a
Condition	n/a
Surface Treatment	n/a
Asbestos Type	n/a
PRIORITY ASSESSMENT	
Occupancy	n/a
Likelihood of Disturbance	n/a
Exposure Potential	n/a
Maintenance Activity	n/a
Risk Assessment Score	

RECOMMENDATIONS	No action Required
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#### **CERTIFICATE FOR IDENTIFICATION OF ASBESTOS FIBRES**

STANDARD

			EMERGENCY
Client:	BASE CONSULTANTS LTD	400 STR -	
Address:	62 DANESCROFT DRIVE LEIGH-ON-SEA ESSEX SS9 4NN	Analysis Report No.	SCO/20/6085
Attention:	MR JAMES WOOD	Report Date.	29/04/20
Site Address:	228 BELSIZE ROAD CAMDEN NW6 4BT	Site Ref No.	N/A
Date sample taken:	UNKNOWN	Page No:	1 Of 1
Date sample received:	29/04/20	No. of Samples:	5
Date of Analysis:	29/04/20	Obtained:	DELIVERED

Samples of material, referenced below, have been examined to determine the presence of asbestos fibres, using Scopes Asbestos Analysis "in house" method of transmitted/polarised light microscopy and centre stop dispersion staining, based on HSE's HSG248.

If samples have been DELIVERED the site address and actual sample location is as given by the client at the time of delivery. Scopes Asbestos Analysis Services Limited are not responsible for the accuracy or competence of the sampling by third parties. Under these circumstances Scopes Asbestos Analysis Services Limited cannot be held responsible for the interpretation of the results shown.

SCOPES SAMPLE No.	CLIENT SAMPLE No.	Samp	Sample Location Fibre Type I		
1	S001	PIPE LAGGI	PIPE LAGGING IN BASEMENT		
2	S002	STRING WRAP TO	CABLE IN BASEMENT	NADIS	
3	S003	TEXTURED COATING	TO BASEMENT STAIRWELL	NADIS	
4	S004	DECORATIVE RENDER	TO BASEMENT STAIRWELL	NADIS	
5	S005	FELT ROOF TO BACK OF	CONSERVATORY STORE ROOM	NADIS	
Note: All samp	les will be retain	Detected in Sample ed for a minimum of six months. fication of Asbestos Fibres shall not be repro		proval of the Laboratory.	
Analysed by:	м хнои	Authorised signatory:	Charles Valler		

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Microscopy u less than 6 m	using Dispersion Staining onths from the date of a	g Techniques and is in inalysis unless specifi	covered by UKAS a ically requested.	ccreditation. Sample	es are retained for n	ot
	Where samples are taken by the Analyst, sampling is carried out in accordance with our documented in-house methods, HSG 264					

### Definitions - Samples, Assessments and Recommendations

### **Samples**

The levels of identification of samples recorded within the survey are as follows:

- 1) Sample taken on site by the Surveyor and analyzed by the laboratory.
- 2) From a visually similar asbestos item that has been analyzed. In this case the sample will be classified as being 'Strongly Presumed' asbestos.
- 3) 'Presumed' to be asbestos. This will normally be because the item could not be sampled due to excessive height (such as soffits), was in an occupied area, or located in an area whereby sampling may have presented a risk to the Surveyor.
- 4) 'Known' to be asbestos. This will normally be because an ACM has previously been sampled and identified as asbestos. Asbestos samples taken historically by either Inner City Environmental or a third party, will have been sampled and analyzed in accordance with the relevant standards prevalent at that time and may not be subsequently included under the methods or accreditation set out within this report

#### **Assessments**

Two types of assessment may be carried out, a Material Assessment and a Priority Assessment. Both Material Assessments and Priority Assessments have been undertaken for each identified or presumed asbestos material as part of this survey and in accordance with our submitted proposal.

It must be noted that the Priority Assessments contained within this report are based upon generic scores from historical data. These scores may not be representative of the occupation levels, room use, activities or maintenance frequency specific to each location or room and the duty holder remains responsible for using their detailed knowledge of the property and the activities carried out within, to ensure that all scores are applicable. The duty holder must be aware that any change of use, occupation level or activity for a room/location will affect the initial priority assessment and will require review accordingly.

More information on assessments can be found within the Category Explanation section towards the rear of this report.

#### Recommendations

The recommendations given within this report are categorized as follows:

#### **MANAGE**

Where asbestos is left in-situ there is a duty to formulate and implement a Management Plan to help prevent accidental damage occurring and to help prevent accidental exposure.

The basic requirements of this policy are (from HSG 264):

- Keep and maintain an up-to-date record of the location, condition, maintenance and removal of all asbestoscontaining materials
- Maintain it in a good state of repair and regularly monitor the condition
- Inform anyone who is likely to disturb it about the location and condition of the material
- Have arrangements and procedures in place, so that work which may disturb the materials complies with the Control of Asbestos Regulations 2012
- Review the plan at regular intervals

(The monitoring and labelling of asbestos is discussed overleaf and is based on 'A comprehensive guide to managing asbestos in premises')

#### Monitoring

The condition of ACMs should be monitored and recorded. The time period between monitoring will vary depending on the type of ACM, its location and the activities in the area concerned, but should not be more than 12 months.

Monitoring would involve a visual inspection, looking for signs of disturbance, scratches, broken edges, cracked or peeling paint and debris.

Where deterioration has occurred, a recommendation on what remedial action to take would need to be made.

#### Labelling

A decision is required on whether to label ACMs. The decision will depend on the confidence in the administration of the asbestos management system and whether communication with workers and contractors coming to work on site is effective.

Labelling ACMs should not be solely relied on as a control measure; however it is one of the most effective methods of preventing exposure to building occupants (and in particular; maintenance workers). If, for any reason, management procedures fail, it may act as an effective last barrier to uncontrolled damage to the ACM.

Most ACMs can be marked with an asbestos warning label similar to that shown to the right.

It may not always be prudent or practical to label all installations of asbestos; for example high level items such as roof sheets, flue cowls and soffits or items such as gaskets to pipe flanges, textured coating and floor tiles.



Base Consultants can provide labels or a labelling service on request.

#### **ENCAPSULATE & MANAGE**

When this recommendation has been given, the ACM is raw and requires encapsulating with a suitable sealant, or the existing sealant or covering has deteriorated and the installation requires either a complete or partial reencapsulation. Suitable sealants for encapsulation or minor repair work may include the following:

Asbestos insulating board can be treated with an elastomeric paint.

Asbestos cement can be sealed with an alkali resistant and water-permeable sealant. Where asbestos cement roofing has been identified, such as to garages or sheds, it will usually only be necessary to seal the internal surfaces.

Sectional pipe insulation can usually be coated with a calico wrap and then painted over with an elastomeric paint. Minor holes in hard-set thermal insulation can be filled with non-asbestos plaster and if necessary wrapped with calico.

Spray coating can be overlain with strips of calico and painted over with an elastomeric paint.

The following points on sealant materials used in the encapsulation/repair of an installation should be noted:

- 1) The sealant must be adequately fire-rated / resistant to any generated heat.
- 2) The sealant must not cause delamination of the product because of the weight increase.
- 3) If impermeable paint is used, back painting is required.

Sealing or painting of damaged insulating board, insulation or coatings should in most cases be undertaken by a licensed contractor and is likely to be subject to a 14 day notification to the HSE, (as per the Control of Asbestos Regulations 2012).

#### **REMOVE**

Where an ACM is damaged, in a position whereby it may be vulnerable to damage or will be disturbed in forthcoming refurbishment / maintenance works; then a recommendation for removal has been made.

All work with asbestos must be carried out in accordance with the Control of Asbestos Regulations 2012.

#### **Works with Asbestos Cement**

Works on or removal of asbestos cement should be carried out following the guidelines of the HSE Whilst there is no requirement for these works to be carried out by a licensed contractor, in practice it is unlikely that an unlicensed contractor will possess the necessary expertise or insurance to undertake such works properly.

#### Works with licensable ACMs

Work with asbestos insulation, asbestos coating and asbestos insulation board should in most cases be undertaken by a licensed contractor and is likely to be subject to a 14 day notification to the HSE, (as per the Control of Asbestos Regulations 2012). Works should be carried out in accordance to HSG 247 Asbestos: The licensed contractors guide & L143

Items of asbestos debris, residue or dust may require either a localized de-contamination of the immediate area adjacent to the identified asbestos or a full decontamination of the room/area.

The exact extent of any asbestos installation or asbestos debris / residue / dust may not always be stated within the survey report. The survey report will also not state which methods of removal/de-contamination should be followed and does not represent a Scope/Specification of Works.

Controlled techniques used in the removal of asbestos may or may not involve the use of asbestos enclosures depending on the Scope and Specification of Works. If used, enclosures will normally be constructed from polythene and contain:

- Filtered negative pressure units to create air-flow and to filter out air-borne asbestos particles.
- Airlocks for safe access/egress from the work area.
- Baglocks for the safe removal of bagged up asbestos waste.

The asbestos item itself may be treated by a suppressant (damping) system prior to removal, with finer amounts of generated waste being removed by HEPA-filtered 'H-type' vacuum cleaners.

De-contamination units (DCUs) provide the means to effectively de-contaminate operatives involved in the asbestos removal process. DCUs normally consist of a clean and dirty end, with a middle section providing showering. Airflow and wastewater within the unit are filtered.

Removal of non-asbestos materials, which are located close to the asbestos source and which are either fibrous or porous by their nature, such as Machine Made Mineral Fibre (MMMF) ceiling tiles or MMMF pipe insulation, may be deemed necessary during the asbestos removal, due to possible contamination before or during the works.

'Four-stage clearance' involving air monitoring and visual inspections of the affected work area will be required; independent supervision is recommended. Such procedures should be carried out in accordance to HSG 248 - Asbestos: The analyst's guide for sampling, analysis and clearance procedures.

Where asbestos debris has been identified, access to these areas should be restricted until such remedial works have been undertaken. If access is required then a further assessment should be undertaken to ascertain the potential for exposure.

#### **SPECIFIC**

Specific recommendations may include such options as placing a physical barrier to prevent the accidental disturbance of the ACM, or enclosing the ACM with an airtight barrier.

The following points on enclosing an ACM should be noted:

- 1) Any barriers / enclosing material must be adequately fire-rated / resistant to any generated heat.
- 2) An assessment should be made whether access is required to the enclosure for maintenance or repairs.

If the ACM is asbestos insulation, asbestos coating or asbestos insulation board, and the enclosure of it is likely to cause disturbance, then the work should in most cases be undertaken by a licensed contractor and is likely to be subject to a 14 day notification to the HSE, (as per the Control of Asbestos Regulations 2012).

'Further Investigation' may be recorded if the results of sample analysis are inconclusive.

Where a presumed asbestos item is in good condition (and sealed), it may often be prudent to manage the item as asbestos rather than undergo the additional cost of sampling.

Where a presumed asbestos item is in poor condition (and/or un-sealed) and requires attention, it may often be prudent to undergo the additional cost of sampling the item first, to ensure that it does contain asbestos, prior to undergoing removal/remediation works.

Please note that should the Recommendations highlighted anywhere within this report not prove practical to the Client - then Base Consultants may be able to provide suitable alternatives.

### Glossary of Terms - Asbestos Containing Materials

#### **Asbestos**

- The name given to a group of naturally occurring fibrous silicate minerals commonly found in rocks world-wide.
- The fibres are flexible and mechanically strong, have high tensile strength and chemical, electrical and heat resistance.
- Asbestos was commonly used raw, e.g. textiles and insulation, or combined with other materials (boards, asbestos cement, etc.).
- The three most common forms of asbestos are:

Amosite Brown asbestos
 Chrysotile White asbestos
 Crocidolite Blue asbestos

#### Asbestos: Loose Insulation

- Bulk loose fill, bulk fibre-filled mattresses, quilts and blankets used for loft insulation, thermal and acoustic insulation.
- Bulk loose fill now rarely found but may be encountered unexpectedly or during DIY.
- Usually contains Crocidolite and/or Chrysotile.
- Easily damaged, giving rise to high levels of airborne fibres.

### Asbestos: Sprayed Coatings

- Coatings applied wet or dry as thermal and anti-condensation insulation to the underside of roofs / ceilings. Acoustic insulation in theatres, fire protection on frame structures.
- Used up to 1974.
- Typically contains 55-85% asbestos with Portland cement binder. Crocidolite was the major type used until 1962. Mixture of asbestos types until mid-1971.
- Usually easily damaged, giving rise to high levels of airborne fibres.

### Asbestos: Thermal Insulation

- Hand-applied thermal lagging, pipe and boiler lagging, pre-formed pipe sections (sectional lagging), slabs, blocks. Also tape, rope, corrugated paper, quilts, felts and blankets. Used for thermal insulation of pipes, boilers, calorifiers, vessels, etc.
- All types of asbestos are common. Asbestos content between 6 and 85%. Crocidolite used until 1970. Amosite was phased out during 1970s. Ad hoc mixtures hand-applied to pipework joints and bends. Sectional content of 85% magnesia, 15% Amosite.
- Blankets, papers, ropes, etc. usually 100% Chrysotile.
- Thermal insulation often encapsulated or enclosed.
- Ease of fibre release dependent upon type and surface treatment.

### Asbestos Insulating Board (AIB)

- Board commonly used for fire protection, thermal and acoustic insulation, resistance to moisture movement and general building.
- Used extensively between the 1950s and 1970s in all types of buildings.
- This typically contains approximately 15-40% asbestos, in a mix of Portland cement or hydrated lime and silica. Amosite and Chrysotile are common within this type of board.
- AIB is easily damaged. Disturbance leads to significant fibre release.
- Also commonly used as fillets or cores in composite products, e.g. fire doors, raised floors etc.

### Asbestos: Millboard

- Board commonly used for general heat insulation and fire protection.
- Crocidolite used between 1896 and 1965. Asbestos content 37-97%, usually Chrysotile, with matrix of clay and starch.
- Low density, brittle and liable to abrasion.

### Asbestos: Paper, Felt & Cardboard

- Used for electrical/heat insulation of electrical equipment, wiring and plant. Insulation and acoustic lining in air-conditioning systems. Often also used as reinforcement/lining.
- Paper commonly 100% Chrysotile. Can be found beneath MMMF pipework insulation.
- If not encapsulated or bonded then easily damaged and gives fibre release.

#### Asbestos: Textiles

#### Ropes & Yarns

- ropes & fairis
- Pipe lagging, jointing/packing; heat- and fire-resistant boiler and oven flue seals. Plait or braiding to electrical cables.
- Crocidolite/Chrysotile common fibre length and flexibility. Chrysotile alone post 1970.
- Asbestos content up to 100%.
- Woven products generally have good integrity unless abraded, cut or exposed.

#### Cloth

- Thermal insulation and lagging. Also protective clothing.
- All types of asbestos have been used. Since mid-1960s mainly Chrysotile.
- Asbestos content up to 100%.

#### Gaskets and washers

- Utilised in domestic to industrial and chemical plant.
- Content varies, though usually approximately 90%.
- Crocidolite (acid resistant) or Chrysotile (alkali resistant).

#### Strings

- Used for sealing hot water radiators. Also found to tie on MMMF pipework insulation.
- Asbestos content up to 100%.

### Asbestos: Friction Products

- Resin-based materials used in transport, machinery and lifts contain 30-70% Chrysotile. Used up to November 1999. Low friability, dust may build up with friction debris.
- Drive belts found in engines and conveyor belts. Formed of Chrysotile textiles encapsulated in rubber. Low friability, except when worn to expose textile within.

### Asbestos Cement (AC)

- Asbestos fibre added to hydrated Portland cement. Asbestos cement products take the form of profiled sheets, semi-compressed flat sheet and partition board, fully compressed flat sheet and pre-formed moulded products.
- Used extensively between C1945 to 1999 in all types of buildings, as a host of products in numerous locations.
- Asbestos cement typically contains 10-15% asbestos. Although all three main asbestos types have been used in the manufacture of asbestos cement, Chrysotile is the most common form.
- Potential for fibre release increases with level of abrasive disturbance.

#### Asbestos: Other Products and

**Composites** 

#### **Textured Coatings**

- Decorative coating on walls and ceilings, e.g. Artex.
- Asbestos content 3-5% Chrysotile. Chrysotile used up to 1984.
- Matrix of material means asbestos fibres are well contained. Fibre release occurs when coating is sanded or scraped.

#### **Bitumen Products**

- Roofing felts, damp proof course, mastics and adhesives etc.
- Chrysotile fibre or asbestos paper in bitumen matrix usually 8% Chrysotile. Adhesives may contain a few percent Chrysotile. All used up to 1992.
- Fibre release unlikely during normal use.

#### **Flooring**

- Thermoplastic floor tiles up to 25% asbestos.
- PVC vinyl floor tiles and unbacked PVC flooring 7% Chrysotile.
- Asbestos paper-backed PVC floors 100% Chrysotile paper backing used until 1992.
- Magnesium oxychloride (2% asbestos) flooring also used.
- Fibre release unlikely unless cut.

#### Reinforced PVC, plastic and resin composites

- Panels, cladding, toilet cisterns, seats, banisters, window sills, machinery brakes and clutches.
- Asbestos content 1-10% Chrysotile. Amosite also used.
- Fibre release unlikely until damaged / abraded.

### Category Explanation

#### **Basic Principles**

Asbestos that is found to be present does not necessarily create an unacceptable risk. Asbestos is the hazard, the risk can only be defined when this hazard is assessed within the environment in which it is found. This assessment must take into account the activities carried out near or on the asbestos for the assessment to be able to present viable recommendations.

#### **General Guidelines for an Assessment**

There are two types of assessment that may be carried out: the Material Assessment and the Priority Assessment. The scores for these can then be combined to give an overall Hazard Risk Assessment Score.

The Material Assessment - this assesses the likelihood of asbestos material to release fibres into the air should it be disturbed. This assessment can be undertaken as part of the survey, as it requires no knowledge about the building use etc. The main parameters that determine the likelihood of the material to release airborne fibres and the relative hazard of the types of fibre released are.

- Product type
- Extent of damage or deterioration
- Surface treatment
- Asbestos type

The material assessment algorithm (see attached key to assessment) will give a good initial guide to the priority for a control action, as it will identify the high-risk materials. However, a high material score may not always require a high priority control action, if no one needs to enter the area, or suitable precautions to reduce the risk can be taken on the few occasions when the area is occupied.

Materials with assessment scores of 10 or more are regarded as having a high potential to release fibres, if disturbed. Scores of between 7-9 are regarded as having a medium potential and between 4-6 a low potential. Scores of 3 or less have a very low potential to release fibres.

The Priority Assessment - this takes into account various human factors in order to modify the priority assigned by the material assessment. This can only be effectively achieved with direct input from the building occupiers / managers. Parameters, which should be considered, would include.

- The location of the material
- Its extent
- The use to which the location is put
- The level of occupancy of the area
- The activities carried on in the area, and
- The likelihood/frequency with which maintenance activities are likely to take place.

A detailed risk assessment can only be carried out with the detailed knowledge of the above parameters. Although the surveying team may be able to contribute some of the information required for the risk assessment, the duty holder under the Control of Asbestos Regulations 2012 is required to make the risk assessment, using the information given in the survey and their detailed knowledge of the property and the activities carried out within. This risk assessment will form the basis of the management plan.

Each of the above parameters consists of a number of subheadings, which are all individually assessed. These assessments are then averaged for each main heading.

Other factors, such as planned refurbishment, may override the priority for remediation or the type of remediation.

The potential for disturbance must also be assessed, as does the feasibility of the management system in operation. For example:

- If the asbestos is retained could it interrupt the safe maintenance/repairs required and would the services that would be affected by this be critical to the occupiers.
- If the asbestos is within a locked room can access be adequately controlled?

The two points raised above relate to instances such as the failure of an electrical supply above a suspended asbestos ceiling. In this case the occupier would usually no longer be able to trade or a department would have to be shut. An electrical contractor would be brought in on an emergency basis. The individual - electrician - would be placed in a situation where the safety guidelines regarding the asbestos may seem of secondary importance to the needs of their client and this could subsequently lead to the hazard being ignored.

In cases such as these the asbestos should either be removed or if retained, a procedure of dealing with emergencies must be set up to ensure that critical access points were provided and maintained.

The results from the Material assessment and the Priority assessment can then be graphed within the Risk Assessment Summary table to give a final risk assessment.

#### **High Risk**

Using the above principles, materials can be categorised. The top priority - High Risk - would be given to those materials that present an unacceptable risk and require immediate attention. It does not mean that this material must be removed; it means that steps must be taken to remove the risk from those affected by it. This could be as simple as locking a room or undertaking minor repair works or setting up a safe management procedure etc.

#### **Further Categories**

Whether a material must be removed is a Client decision. We are willing to give our advice based on our experience. In essence if there is no budget to remove asbestos then a more economical answer will be its management. In extreme cases management may mean total segregation of a room, area or building until such time as the budget can be made available. When surveying properties of any number it is important to realise that management must begin as soon as practicable to allow a programme of remedial works to proceed. It would be impossible to remove every item of asbestos overnight and there is little point in trying.

#### **Prioritization**

The risk categories / scores allocated should be used as a means of prioritising work. When the risk has been contained it is then necessary to address the next phase, which is, what should be removed, repaired and/or managed.

#### Management and control actions

The priority assessment score and the material assessment score are the two outputs from the risk management assessment and can be ranked to determine the priority of the management and control actions.

Management actions may include.

- Maintain and update asbestos register
- Monitor condition
- Restrict access / isolate
- Label
- Inform
- Train
- Define and use safe systems of work
- Operate a permit to work system

Control actions may include.

- Clean up debris
- Repair
- Encapsulate
- Enclose
- Remove

# Category Codes - Material Assessment

Cumulative score	Action Required
10 - 12	This is allocated to those items requiring urgent attention as they currently, or in the foreseeable future, present an unacceptable risk. That is to say that fibre concentrations could rise above 0.01 fibres/m. High risk with a significant potential to release fibres.
7 - 9	These are items which as single entities have a high risk of being damaged/ disturbed or where there is an accumulation of asbestos materials in a single location that when examined as a whole have a high risk of being damaged/ disturbed. Medium risk.
4 - 6	These are items that have no, or very little, sign of historical damage and are usually board or panels, which are not easily accessed. Low risk.
0 - 3	This covers asbestos cement, resins, Artex, plastics, rubber etc. containing asbestos, which do not generally present a significant risk. Very low risk.

Sample Variable	Score	Examples of Scores
	1	Asbestos reinforced composites (plastics, resins, mastics, roofing felts, vinyl floor tiles, semi-rigid paints or decorative finishes, asbestos cement, etc)
Product Type (or debris from product)	2	Asbestos insulating board, mill boards, other low density insulation boards, asbestos textiles, gaskets, ropes and woven textiles, asbestos paper and felt
	3	Thermal insulation (e.g. pipe and boiler lagging), sprayed asbestos, loose asbestos, asbestos mattresses and packing
	0	Good condition: no visible damage
Extent of damage /	1	Low damage: a few scratches or surface marks; broken edges on boards, tiles etc
deterioration	2	Medium damage, significant breakage of materials or several small areas where material has been damaged revealing loose asbestos fibres
	3	High damage or delamination of materials, sprays and thermal insulation. Visible asbestos debris
	1	
	0	Composite materials containing asbestos: reinforced plastics, resins, vinyl tiles
Surface Treatment	1	Enclosed sprays and lagging, asbestos insulating board (with exposed face painted or encapsulated), asbestos cement sheets etc
Surface freatment	2	Unsealed asbestos insulation board, or encapsulated lagging and sprays
	3	Unsealed lagging and sprays
	1	Chrysotile
Asbestos Type	2	Amphibole asbestos excluding Crocidolite
	3	Crocidolite

Total Score	

## Category Codes - Priority Assessment

Cumulative score	Action Required
10 - 12	This is allocated to those items in a position which presents an unacceptable risk to occupiers etc.
7 - 9	These are items situated in high use, readily accessible positions, which may also be located in an area accessed on a routine basis for maintenance.
4 - 6	These are items that will very rarely be disturbed through normal occupation or maintenance, or are in locations or have extents that, if disturbed, would lead to a minimal fibre release.
0 - 3	This covers items which are in locations not readily accessible and are unlikely to be disturbed.

Assessment parameter	Score	Assessment	Examples of score variables
Normal occupant activity			
	•		Rare disturbance activity
	0		(e.g. little used store room)
	1		Low disturbance activities
Main tune of activity in area	1		(e.g. office type activity)
Main type of activity in area	1		Periodic disturbance (e.g. industrial or vehicular activity which may
		contact ACMs)	
	3		High levels of disturbance, (e.g. Fire door with AIB sheet in
			constant use)

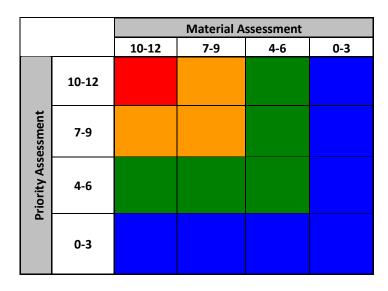
Likelihood of Disturbance		
	0	Usually inaccessible
Accessibility	1	Occasionally likely to be disturbed
Accessibility	2	Easily disturbed
	3	Routinely disturbed
	0	Outdoors
Location	1	Large Rooms
Location	2	Rooms up to 100m <sup>2</sup>
	3	Confined spaces
	0	Small amounts or items
Extent	1	<10m² or 10m
extent	2	>10 - 50m² or 10 - 50m
	3	>50m² or >50m
Average Score		

Human Exposure Potential:			
	0	None	
Number of accuments	1	1-3	
Number of occupants	2	4 - 10	
	3	>10	
	0	Infrequent	
Frague nov. of use	1	Monthly	
Frequency of use	2	Weekly	
	3	Daily	
	0	<1	
Avaraga tima anah usa	1	>1 - <3 hours	
Average time each use	2	>3 - <6 hours	
	3	>6 hours	
Average Score			

Maintenance Activity			
Type of maintenance activity	0	Minor disturbance (e.g. possibility of contact when gaining access)	
	1	Low disturbance (e.g. changing light bulbs in AIB ceiling)	
	2	Medium disturbance (e.g. lifting one or two AIB ceiling tiles to access a valve)	
	3	High levels of disturbance (e.g. removing a number of AIB ceiling tiles to replace a valve or for re-cabling)	
Frequency of maintenance activity	0	ACM unlikely to be disturbed for maintenance	
	1	≤1 per year	
	2	>1 per year	
	3	>1 per month	
Average Score			

### Hazard Risk Assessment Summary

	Total Score
Material Score	
Priority Score	
Overall Score	





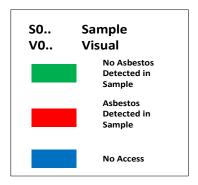


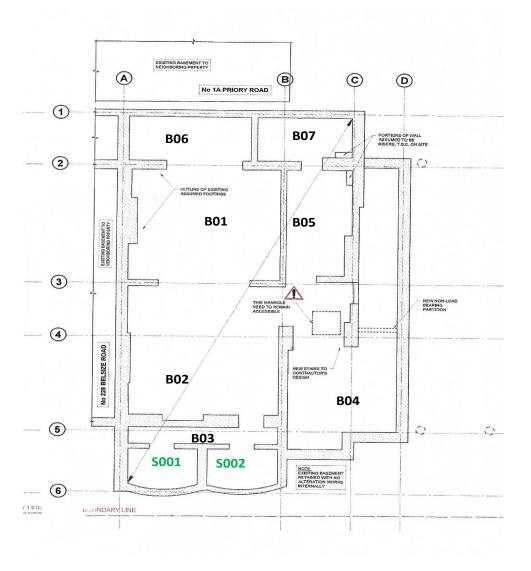
High Risk (Total Score = 19 - 24)

Medium Risk (Total Score = 13 - 18)

Low Risk (Total Score = 8 - 12)

Very Low Risk (Total Score = 0 - 7)



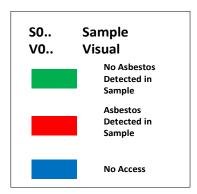


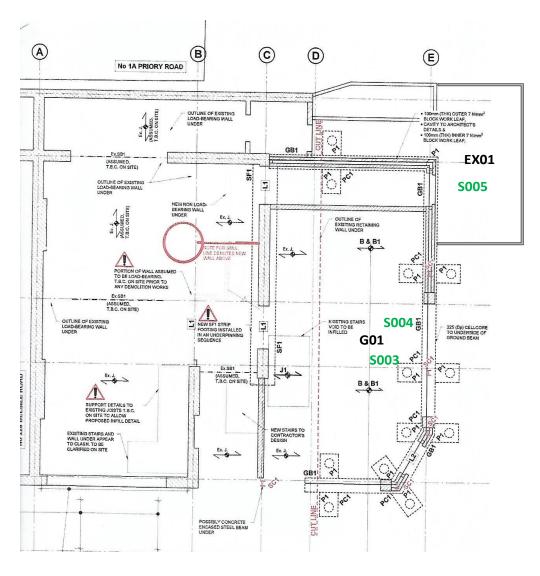
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