

INFORMATION SHEET 2

LOCATIONS WHERE ASBESTOS MAY BE FOUND

If you are doing residential work and you are unsure whether asbestos may be present or not, proceed as if it is present.

WHERE IS ASBESTOS LIKELY TO BE FOUND?

Any building constructed, altered or refurbished before the late-1980s is likely to contain asbestos and/or asbestos-containing materials (ACMs).

Buildings constructed after 1990 are generally unlikely to contain ACMs but as materials containing asbestos are still permitted to be imported into New Zealand, some buildings built after 1990 may contain ACMS.

As a general rule, if a building was constructed:



BEFORE THE MID-1980S

it is very likely to have materials containing asbestos



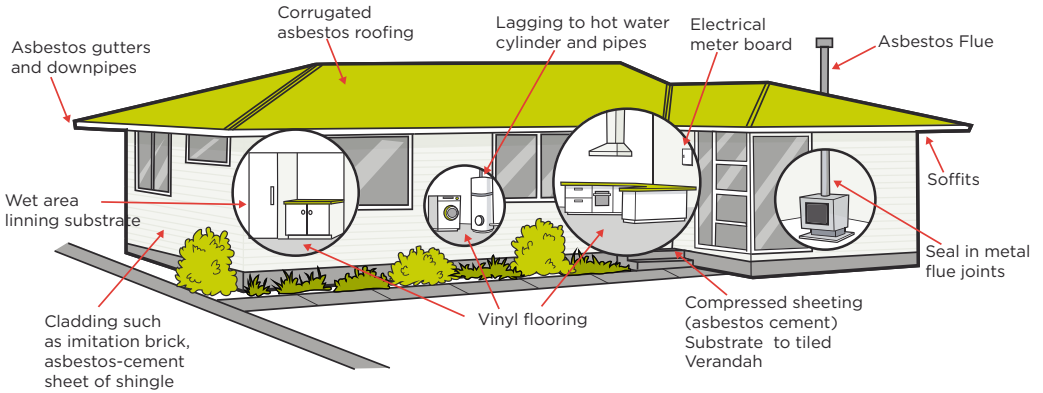
BETWEEN THE MID-1980S AND 1990

it is likely to have materials containing asbestos



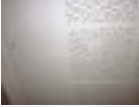




AFTER 1990

it is unlikely to have material containing asbestos




ACMs may be found in:

ROOFS	corrugated cement roofing ¹ , including lap cement dust.	
	guttering, downpipes, rainwater head	
CEILINGS	ceiling tiles	
	sprayed/textured ceilings	
	lathe and plaster (skim coat)	

¹ Debris in the roof space from a previous roof replacement may contain asbestos.

ACMs may be found in:

EXTERNAL CLADDING AND EAVES	sheet claddings (flat/corrugated)		
	baseboards and kickboards		
	shingles		
	imitation brick/stone claddings		
	soffit linings		
INTERIOR WALLS AND FINISHES	sprayed/textured wall finishes		
	insulation board (eg around fireplaces)		
	plasterboard lining and jointing compound		
	skim coat on lathe and plaster		
FLOORS	vinyl sheet and tile flooring		

ACMs may be found in:		
INSULATION	roof and wall insulation	
	lagging (insulation)	
	hot water cylinder insulation	
PIPES	drainage pipes	
MISCELLANEOUS	flues	
	seals on wood burners/firedoors	
	fuse boards (mill board)/ linings in fuse holders	
	fire cement in old chimneys	
	night store heater	
	fences	
	Moss, lichen and algae from the roof and exterior walls	

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