## **SOLAR INSTALLERS**



# RESIDENTIAL ASBESTOS Checklist for Tradies



Date visually inspected	
Name of property owner	
Address	



#### WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THE PROPERTY?

To help determine if asbestos is likely to be present in a property, circle the answers to the following:

- Was the home constructed before 1990 (if known)? Yes / No
- What is the main material the home is made of? Brick / Weatherboard / Fibro / Clad
- Are there any additions or extensions to the building? Yes / No If Yes, what year?
- Were there any known renovations conducted before 1990? Yes / No
- Are there additional buildings or structures on the site that may contain asbestos such as dog kennels, garages, carports, outdoor toilets or backyard sheds? Yes / No

REMEMBER:

YOU ARE CONDUCTING A VISUAL INSPECTION ONLY. DO NOT DISTURB ANY MATERIAL THAT MAY BE ASBESTOS. IF A SAMPLE OF MATERIAL IS TO BE TESTED, CONTACT A LICENCED ASBESTOS ASSESSOR OR OCCUPATIONAL HYGIENIST.

#### HOW TO CONDUCT A VISUAL ASBESTOS INSPECTION OF A RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY

#### STEP 1: COUNCIL

Check with Council or State and Territory Government if you need to maintain a formal Asbestos Register and Management Plan or if the property may have been affected by loose-fill asbestos (Mr Fluffy) if in NSW or the ACT.

#### **STEP 2: WHAT TO LOOK FOR**

Visit asbestosawareness.com.au to view:

- The 20 Point Safety Checklist for Tradies
- 'Asbestos In Your Home The Ultimate Renovators Guide' and.
- 'Asbestos Product Database' to familiarise yourself with the products that may contain asbestos.

#### **STEP 3: EXTERNAL**

Start in the front yard of the property. Walk around the yard looking at the various Checklist locations.

#### **STEP 4: INTERNAL**

Start at the front door. Walk through the home, one room at a time looking at Checklist locations. If you think something may be asbestos, TICK the box 'May Be Asbestos' (MBA). If asbestos 'Requires Repairs' or is in need of paint or is broken, CROSS the box RR.

#### **STEP 5: WET AREAS & HEATING**

Asbestos products were commonly used in wet areas and with wood-fuelled heating so pay particular attention to kitchens, bathrooms, laundries and fireplaces. If you think something may be asbestos, tick the MBA box.







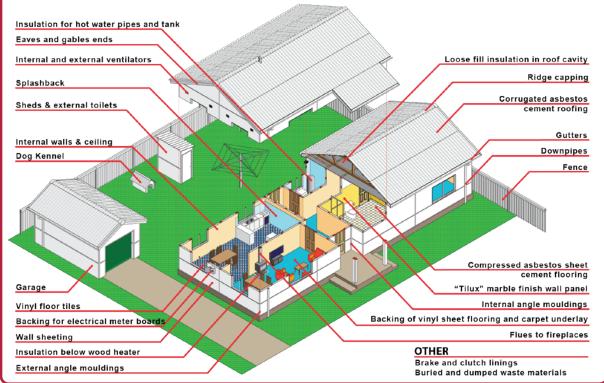






### 1 IN 3 AUSTRALIAN HOMES CONTAIN ASBESTOS!

DO YOU KNOW WHERE ASBESTOS COULD BE IN RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES?

















If it 'Requires Repairs', is in need of paint or is broken, CROSS the box RR.

EXTERNAL PROPERTY	MBA (Tick)	RR (Cross)
External walls	✓	×
External angle moldings (on corners)	✓	
Joinery strips (to cover joins)		

#### DANGER

DO NOT ENTER CEILING SPACE OR SUBFLOOR AREAS OF PROPERTIES LOCATED IN COUNCIL REGIONS THAT HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED AS LOOSE-FILL REGIONS.

To check if your residential worksite is located in an affected area, contact the Council, NSW Fair Trading or the A.C.T. Government.

#### **EXTERNAL HOME CHECKLIST**

EXTERNAL PROPERTY	MBA (Tick)	RR (Cross)
External walls (asbestos cement (AC) sheeting, corrugated, artificial brick)		
External angle moldings (on corners)		
Joinery strips (to cover joins)		
Architrave around doors and windows		
Roof		
Roof capping		
Guttering		
Downpipes		
Eaves and gables		
External ventilation outlets		
Walls of extension to property		
Cement slabs		
In cement flooring		
Insulation for hot water pipes and tanks		
Electrical meter boards incl. ceramic fuses		
Formwork of cement slabs		
Sealants in air conditioning ducting joins		

ASBESTOS EAVE, GUTTERING AND DOWNPIPE	

OTHER EXTERNAL PLACES	MBA (Tick)	RR (Cross)
Cement slabs		
Under houses		
Stored behind sheds		
In the ground or garden beds		
Formwork for garden beds		



EXTENSION OR GRANNY FLAT	MBA (Tick)	RR (Cross)
External walls		
External angle moldings (on corners)		
Joinery strips (to cover joins)		
Roof		
Roof capping		
Guttering		
Downpipes		
Eaves and gables		
External ventilation outlets		
Fireplace		



ADDITIONAL STRUCTURES	MBA (Tick)	RR (Cross)
Outside toilet		
Outside laundry or laundry extension		
Garden sheds		
Dad's shed		
Dog kennel or other domestic animal shelter such as rabbit hutch		
Chook pens		
Pigeon houses		
Stable or other stock housing		
Machinery sheds		
Water tanks – the cover as well as the exterior and walls covering the peers		
Walls or cement flooring of greenhouse		
Other		

GARAGE OR CARPORT	MBA (Tick)	RR (Cross)
External walls		
Roof		
Roof capping		
Guttering		
Downpipes		
Eaves and gables		
External and internal ventilation outlets		
Internal walls, ceiling.		
Floorcoverings such as: vinyl tiles or sheeting, ceramic tiles		



REMEMBER:

When doing minor repairs or maintenance refer to Fact Sheets available from <u>asbestosawareness.com.au</u> For major repairs or removal of asbestos materials, ONLY use licenced asbestos removalists because it's not worth the risk!

#### **Additional Items**

ITEM	LOCATION	MBA (Tick)	RR (Cross)

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