



Precise Consulting complete clearance inspections and issue compliant clearance certificates following asbestos removal to help you meet your obligations under the Health and Safety at Work (Asbestos) Regulations 2016.

#### ASBESTOS CLEARANCE PROCEDURE

Following asbestos removal, the area must be thoroughly inspected to ensure that the asbestos or asbestos containing material(s) have been removed and the area is safe for reoccupation.

Only independent WorkSafe Licensed Asbestos Assessors can conduct clearance inspections following Class A asbestos removal work. If the assessor determines that the asbestos removal area does not pose a risk to health and safety from exposure to asbestos, then a clearance certificate is issued, verifying it is safe to re-occupy. Independence is critical to ensure the process remains objective and the interests of the PCBU does not influence the outcome.

A PCBU with management or control of a workplace at which a clearance inspection is carried out must obtain a clearance certificate from an asbestos assessor before the asbestos removal area at the workplace is reoccupied. Clearance certificates for Class A removal work must be issued by a WorkSafe Licensed Asbestos Assessor.

### PRECISE ASBESTOS ASSESSORS

Precise Consulting has experienced asbestos assessors located in all five branches across New Zealand. With access to a network of four IANZ accredited laboratories nationwide, Precise can ensure delivery of clearance air monitoring and surface sample results within hours of a site visit and issue the clearance certificate the day of completion.

Precise asbestos assessors are consistently exposed to a wide variety of clearance projects, ranging from complex industrial four-stage clearance procedures to residential visual clearances. This gives our assessors the opportunity to develop their skillset and become proficient in all types of clearance scenarios. Our assessors specialise in costeffective, practical consulting which will ensure the progression of complex largescale asbestos removal. Our thorough internal and external training program and the range of work environments we are involved in gives Precise assessors the ability to provide a top-quality service with practical solutions, to our clients.

# ASBESTOS REMOVAL

Friable asbestos refers to asbestos or asbestos containing materials in a powder form, or able to be crumbled, pulverised or reduced to a powder by hand pressure when dry.

WorkSafe's revised view is that before commencing work on asbestos or asbestos containing material that in its current state is non-friable, the building owner should discuss with the surveyor or licenced asbestos assessor whether or not the removal work is likely to change the state of the asbestos or ACM to become friable. Once this is confirmed it will enable the building owner to confirm whether or not the removal work must be carried out by a Class A or Class B asbestos removalist.

Licensed asbestos removal can be broken down into Class A & Class B removal work:

## Class A may involve:

- > Any amount of friable asbestos
- Any amount of asbestos contaminated dust
- > Any amount of non-friable asbestos

## Clearance Services Include:

## Class B may involve:

- > Any amount of non-friable asbestos
- Asbestos contaminated dust associated with removing non-friable asbestos

| Class A Clearance<br>Inspection | A four-stage clearance inspection is required following Class A asbestos removal work.                 |
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|                                 | The four-stage clearance inspection process is as follows:   |
|                                 | > Stage 1: preliminary check of site condition and job completeness                                    |
|                                 | > Stage 2: thorough visual inspection inside the enclosure/work area                                   |
|                                 | > Stage 3: air monitoring & surface sampling   |
|                                 | > Stage 4: final assessment post-enclosure/work area dismantling                                       |
| Class B Clearance               | Associated with the removal of non-friable removal work.   |
| Inspection                      | > Stage 1: preliminary check of site condition and job completeness                                    |
|                                 | > Stage 2: thorough visual inspection of the work area   |
|                                 | The asbestos assessor may conduct air monitoring and surface sampling if they deem it to be necessary. |
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# PRECISE CONSULTING – YOUR HAZMAT TESTING SPECIALISTS

Precise Consulting provide a service solution for those involved in many facets of the construction, demolition and refurbishment industry where Hazardous Materials (HAZMAT) are found.

We specialise in asbestos sampling, asbestos surveying, asbestos risk assessment, asbestos management, methamphetamine sampling, air quality testing for dust, mould and silica, and workplace and alcohol testing.

Precise Wellington is IANZ accredited (ISO/IEC 17025) for Methamphetamine sampling, with Key Technical Personnel located in all branches.

You can be assured of quality service, professionalism, and fast, accurate results. We would love the opportunity to help you, whether it's a problem in your home, at work, or on a building site.

Please get in touch with us to see how we can help, or to get a quote on any of the below service areas:

### **OUR SERVICES**

- > Mould
- > Asbestos
- Methamphetamine
  Contamination Testing
- > Occupational Health & Hygiene
- > Hazardous Materials
- > Workplace Drug & Alcohol Testing
- > Contaminated Land
- > Technical Consultancy



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Please get in touch for more information on any of our HAZMAT services including; asbestos sampling, surveying and management services, workplace health & safety solutions and meth testing.

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