

Memorandum

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SUBJECT: Asbestos Storage (Health Protection)

Storage and handling of asbestos as described in the GSA Storage Manual have been discussed with asbestos producing companies and the Asbestos Textile Institute.

Apparently heavy paper bags holding 100 pounds of asbestos fiber are used to the greatest extent at this time. However, some companies have started to use some type of plastic container and there is still some use of burlap bags. It was recommended by all the persons interviewed that whatever container is used, it should be made of, or lined with, an impermeable material. If there is any handling of asbestos in bulk or in unlined burlap bags, respirators must be used, the persons involved may be subjected to a vacuum cleaning, and the work clothes washed at the plant.

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