

CONTRACTOR PREQUALIFICATION

The building owner must be sure that the contractor selected is qualified to perform the project. Such qualification cannot be attained after award of the contract; therefore, prior to award the contractor must demonstrate the following:

1. The contractor should have \$1,000,000 in general liability insurance and should submit a certificate from a state regulated insurance carrier.
2. The contractor should submit certificates of workers compensation and automobile insurance.
3. The contractor should have a minimum of six years of asbestos abatement experience.
4. The contractor should provide the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of references from the following three disciplines:
 - a. Building owner for whom the contractor had previously performed a major project.
 - b. Architect whose project the contractor was employed.
 - c. Laboratory/consultant who had inspected the contractor's work on a major project.
5. The contractor must demonstrate successful completion of three projects of equal size. References from the projects should be submitted.
6. The contractor should submit inspection reports from three previous projects. Such reports are to be written by a laboratory/consultant employed by the owner of the project.
7. The contractor should submit air monitoring data from three previous projects. Such data must be from samples collected by a laboratory/consultant employed directly by the owner of the project. Samples must have been analyzed by an AIHA accredited laboratory.
8. The contractor should submit all of the following:
 - a. Standard Operating Procedures
 - b. Loss Control Program
 - c. Respiratory Protection Program
 - d. Appropriate State Licenses
9. The contractor should submit a list of equipment available to use on the project.
10. The contractor should submit the name of the corporate safety officer.
11. The contractor should submit proof that all employees have completed an asbestos abatement training course administered by someone other than the contractor's personnel.
12. The contractor must demonstrate that key personnel have attended an EPA sponsored training program for supervising abatement projects.
13. The contractor must demonstrate membership in the National Asbestos Council, National Association of Asbestos Abatement Contractors, and the Association of Wall and Ceiling Industry's Asbestos Abatement Council.
14. The contractor must utilize full-time *regularly* employed personnel.
15. The contractor must have a physician declare employees capable of working while wearing a respirator.
16. The contractor must be "Type C" capable with equipment already purchased.
17. The contractor should submit appropriate bonds (bid, performance, and payment).
18. The contractor should demonstrate that he has equipment to provide adequate negative pressure to prevent fiber leakage outside the containment area.
19. The contractor's project superintendent must have a minimum of three years asbestos abatement supervisory experience.

In general the contractor must demonstrate compliance with:

1. The EPA National Emissions Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAPS) for the removal and disposal of asbestos materials. (Title 40, Part 61, Subparts A and B).
2. The EPA Friable Asbestos-Containing Materials in Schools, A Guidance Document (EPA-450/2-78-014).
3. The EPA Guidance for Controlling Friable Asbestos-Containing Materials in Buildings (EPA 560/5-83-002).
4. OSHA regulations for workplace practices and airborne concentrations during removal, encapsulation, and enclosure (Title 29 Part 1910 Section 1001).
5. All other applicable state and local regulations.

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