



Operating Instruction 5.24.2.3 Asbestos Operations and Maintenance

Part 1. Purpose

To ensure Minnesota State colleges and universities are in compliance with state and federal regulations related to asbestos; minimize the potential for exposure of employees, students and visitors to asbestos; and protect institutions from liabilities associated with asbestos.

Part 2. Regulatory Standards

Regulatory requirements supporting this operating instruction are from the following US Code, Federal Agency Regulations (CFR), State Statutes, and State Agency Rules:

Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor (OSHA)

29 CFR 1910.134 and App's A, B-1, B-2 and C	Respiratory Protection
29 CFR 1910 Subpart D	Walking Working Surfaces
29 CFR 1910 Subpart I	Personal Protection Equipment
29 CFR 1910.1001 and App's A, B, C, D, E, and I	Asbestos (General)
29 CFR 1926.1101 and App's A, B, C, D, E, F, H & K	Asbestos (Construction)

United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA)

42 USC Section 7401 et seq.	Clean Air Act (CCA)
42 USC Section 112	National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP)
15 USC Section 2641-2656	Toxic Substance Control Act (TSCA) Title II
40 CFR 61 Subpart M	National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP)
40 CFR Part 763 Subpart G	Asbestos Worker Protection
40 CFR Part 763 Subpart I	Prohibition of Manufacture, Importation, Processing and Distribution in Commerce of Certain Asbestos - Containing Products Labeling Requirements
40 CFR Part 763	Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA)

U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT)

49 CFR 171 & 172	Hazardous Materials Regulations & Requirements for Shipping
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Minnesota Rules and Statutes

Minnesota Statutes, sections 326.70 to 326.81	Minnesota Asbestos Abatement Act
Minnesota Rules, Parts 4620.3000 to 4620.3724	Minnesota Department of Health, Clean Indoor Air; Asbestos Abatement Standards
Minnesota Rules, Parts 7011.9920	Minnesota Pollution Control Agency; Asbestos NESHAP incorporated by reference
Minnesota Rules 7035.0805	Minnesota Pollution Control Agency; Renovation and Demolition
Minn. Rules 5207.0035	Minnesota Labor and Industry (MN OSHA); Demolition, Restoration, Remodeling Survey
Minn. Rules 5205.0660, subpart 3.	Minnesota Labor and Industry (MN OSHA); Asbestos. Maintenance and Repair of Buildings and Equipment.

Part 3. Asbestos Containing Materials (ACM)

Asbestos is a naturally occurring fibrous mineral. It is fire proof, chemical and heat resistant, non-conductive, and very durable. For these reasons it was used in many products including building materials and other products. There is no ban in the USA on the production of or import of asbestos or ACM, except for the manufacture, import, processing and distribution of: corrugated paper, commercial paper, specialty paper, flooring felt, and any new uses of asbestos.

Part 4. Asbestos Coordinator

The president shall appoint an Asbestos Coordinator. The Asbestos Coordinator has the responsibility to ensure requirements identified in the system Asbestos Maintenance and Operations Technical Manual are implemented and followed.

Part 5. Asbestos Operations and Maintenance Program

Minnesota State is committed to protecting the health and safety of building occupants from unsafe exposure to asbestos. Classrooms, offices, or work spaces may contain intact or damaged ACMs or presumed ACMs (PACM). In view of the potential health hazards, extensive training requirements, and medical surveillance obligations for asbestos workers, all asbestos operations other than Class IV operations as defined by the USEPA must be conducted by personnel certified by the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) to perform asbestos related work. The Asbestos Coordinator shall review and determine the allowable asbestos operations college or university employees can perform.

Part 6. Asbestos Technical Manual

Colleges and universities are expected to follow instructions in the supporting manual to this operating instruction, Asbestos Maintenance and Operations Technical Manual.

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