



# Pinellas County

## Asbestos Notification

### Residential Home Owner - Asbestos Contractor Exemption

(Florida Building Code, 104.4.4 Asbestos Removal Disclosure Statement)

You, as the owner and occupier of a single-family residence, not for sale or lease, may undertake the moving, removal or disposal of asbestos-containing materials on your own residential building. To qualify for the licensing exemption, subject to the limitations provide below, an owner must personally appear and sign the building permit application.

**State law requires asbestos removal to be done by licensed contractors. You have applied for a permit under an exemption to that law. The exemption allows you, as the owner of your property, to act as your own asbestos removal contractor even though you do not have a license. You must supervise the construction yourself. You may move, remove or dispose of asbestos-containing materials on a residential building where you occupy the building and the building is not for sale or lease, or the building is a farm outbuilding on your property. If you sell or lease such building within 1 year after the asbestos abatement is complete, the law will presume that you intended to sell or lease the property at the time the work was done, which is a violation of this exemption. You may not hire an unlicensed person as your contractor. Your work must be done according to all local, state and federal laws and regulations, which apply to asbestos abatement projects. It is your responsibility to make sure that people employed by you have licenses required by state law and by county or municipal licensing ordinances.**

By signing the "Application and Permit for Construction", you certify that you have complied, or will comply with all Federal State and County laws and regulations pertaining to asbestos removal. By your signature you are also certifying that you understand the requirements stated in the above paragraph, and further understand that there may be additional requirements within these rules, which also apply to you. You further understand that any violations of these requirements can result in monetary penalties to the building owners, building lessees, and their respective contractors. Additional penalties for failing to comply with asbestos rules include criminal prosecution under federal law, and contractor license forfeiture/suspension under State law.

**The statements included on this page are considered part of the:  
"Pinellas County, Building Department, Application and Permit for Construction".**

For additional information about asbestos:

[www.pinellascounty.org/environment/pageshtml/asbestos/as500](http://www.pinellascounty.org/environment/pageshtml/asbestos/as500)

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