



GUIDE TO DHS 159 ASBESTOS RULE REVISIONS:

Rule Revisions for Certified Asbestos Management Planners

The newly revised asbestos rule, DHS 159, will affect Wisconsin Certified Asbestos Management Planners. To download a copy of the new rule, visit our website at www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/asbestos.

The rule becomes effective on May 1, 2009.

New Training and Certification Provisions

- Your initial training and your current certification remain valid. However, you must take your next refresher training in Wisconsin. Out-of-state refreshers will no longer be acceptable.
- *Provisional Certification*: Under the old rule you had to wait until you received your certification card before you could conduct regulated asbestos work. The new rule includes 'provisional certification' that allows you to perform regulated asbestos work as long as you have completed required training and submitted your application with fee. Provisional certification is good for up to 30 calendar days from the date you complete training and requires you to carry your training certificate with you when performing regulated work.
- *Management Planner Certification Fee*: Beginning May 1, 2009, \$125 per year.
- *Company Certification Required*: Under the new rule all management planners must be associated with (own or work for) a Certified Asbestos Company, including one-person operations. Beginning August 1, 2009 company certification will be required. The fee will be \$400 for two years and for satellite offices, \$200 for two years.

Recordkeeping

- All records related to your asbestos management activities must be kept for at least 3 years.
- Records required to be retained include:
 - any written contracts for your asbestos work
 - asbestos management plans

More Information

Visit our asbestos website at www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/asbestos for more information.

For information on other agencies' asbestos regulations visit these websites:

EPA: www.epa.gov/opptintr/asbestos

OSHA: www.osha.gov/SLTC/asbestos

WI DNR: www.dnr.wi.gov/air/compenf/asbestos.