ASBESTOS NOTIFICATION FEE FOR DEMOLITION, RENOVATION AND ABATEMENT

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

These FAQs have been prepared by the Iowa Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to assist facilities in complying with state fee requirements for asbestos notifications. This document is intended solely as guidance, cannot be used to bind the DNR and is not a substitute for reading applicable statutes and rules.

1) Is there a fee requirement for asbestos notifications submitted to DNR?

Yes. **Beginning January 15, 2016** asbestos notifications for projects subject to the requirements of the national emission standard for hazardous air pollutants (NESHAP) for asbestos must be submitted with a fee. This includes notifications for asbestos abatement, demolition, and renovation. The lowa Environmental Protection Commission adopted rules and a fee schedule (on December 15, 2015), that established a fee for asbestos notifications.

2) How much is the asbestos notification fee?

Asbestos notification fee is **\$100** for each required original or each annual notification for each demolition or renovation, including abatement. The asbestos notification fee is listed in a Fee Schedule approved by the Commission and located on the DNR's Website at www.iowadnr.gov/aqfees.

3) When does the fee have to be paid?

The fee is due when a required original or annual asbestos notification is submitted to the DNR either on paper or via the <u>Asbestos Notification System</u>, the DNR's electronic system for asbestos abatement, demolition, renovation, training fires, and building burns notifications. No additional fees will apply if the submitted notification is subsequently revised or canceled after submittal.

4) How do I submit the fee?

Fees are submitted either on the <u>Asbestos Notification</u> <u>System</u> or on paper with the Asbestos Notification of Demolition and Renovation form (DNR Form 542-1476). Fees for projects involving bridge demolition or renovation should be submitted with the Asbestos Notification of Bridge Demolition and Renovation form (DNR Form 542-1474). These forms can be downloaded from the DNR Website at www.iowadnr.gov/aqfees or

www.iowadnr.gov/asbestos. Fees can be paid by check, money order, or credit card. Payment remittance information is provided on the form. Please do not send cash in the mail.

5) Can I mail the forms and pay by credit card?

Yes. Credit card payments will be processed over the phone. Please indicate on the form that you wish to pay by credit card and provide a phone number for our staff to contact you. Asbestos NESHAP forms are public information. For security purposes, please do not write your credit card information on the forms.

6) Are there circumstances when a notification fee is not required?

Yes. There are two instances where a fee is not required:

- A fee is not required for notifications of training fires as required in 567 IAC 23.2(3)"g" and controlled burning of demolished buildings as required in 567 IAC 23.2(3)"j."
- A fee is not required for revised, cancelled, and courtesy notifications.

However, a fee is required for a revision to a previously submitted courtesy notification if the revision triggers the notification requirements in the asbestos NESHAP. This would make the revision notification an original notification and subject to the fee requirement.

7) Can I submit an original (single) asbestos notification for more than one building?

No. Any single building that has a discrete postal address, and meets the regulatory criteria under the Asbestos NESHAP regulations, will require an individual notification and the notification fee would apply to each.

8) Does the billing contact have to be an employee of the company submitting an asbestos notification?

There is no requirement that the billing contact be an employee of the company submitting the asbestos notification. The instructions for DNR Form 542-1476 provide additional information regarding facility and contact information.

9) How can I stay informed on changes or updates related to the Asbestos NESHAP program in Iowa? Join the Asbestos list serv. Go to www.iowacleanair.gov for more information on how to join this listserv.

10) How can I provide recommendations to the DNR regarding fees?

The asbestos fee advisory group (www.iowadnr.gov/asbestosfees) will meet annually to review the draft budget and asbestos notification fee. Participants may provide recommendations regarding fees necessary to cover all direct and indirect costs to administer the asbestos NESHAP program. The meeting will be held prior to the March Commission meeting each year and will be posted on the DNR website 14 days prior to the meeting.

11) What will the fee be next year?

Any changes in the fees will be made by the Environmental Protection Commission and posted on www.iowadnr.gov/aqfees. New or adjusted fees will become effective on July 1. Fees not adjusted will remain in effect as previously established.

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