

Frequently Asked Questions Regarding Asbestos Removal

Q. Is it safe to be doing asbestos abatement in an occupied building?

A. Yes. Asbestos abatement contractors must follow strict regulations when performing asbestos abatement to ensure that asbestos is not dispersed outside the work area. The abatement area is segregated from occupied/non-abatement areas using plastic sheeting and in some cases,

A. Asbestos contractors wear disposable suits, hoods, gloves, shoe covers and respirators. Between the abatement area and the non-abatement area, there is a clean-up/decontamination area where the contractors remove their protective clothing before entering the clean zone. At no time does a worker exit the abatement area without properly decontaminating himself/herself.

In all cases, the regulations require air monitoring outside the abatement area, which confirms that there is no contamination outside the abatement area.
