

INFORMATION SHEET 2

LOCATIONS WHERE ASBESTOS MAY BE FOUND

If you are doing residential work and you are unsure whether asbestos may be present or not, proceed as if it is present.

WHERE IS ASBESTOS LIKELY TO BE FOUND?

Any building constructed, altered or refurbished before the late-1980s is likely to contain asbestos and/or asbestos-containing materials (ACMs).

Buildings constructed after 1990 are generally unlikely to contain ACMs but as materials containing asbestos are still permitted to be imported into New Zealand, some buildings built after 1990 may contain ACMS.

As a general rule, if a building was constructed:



BEFORE THE MID-1980S

it is very likely to have materials containing asbestos



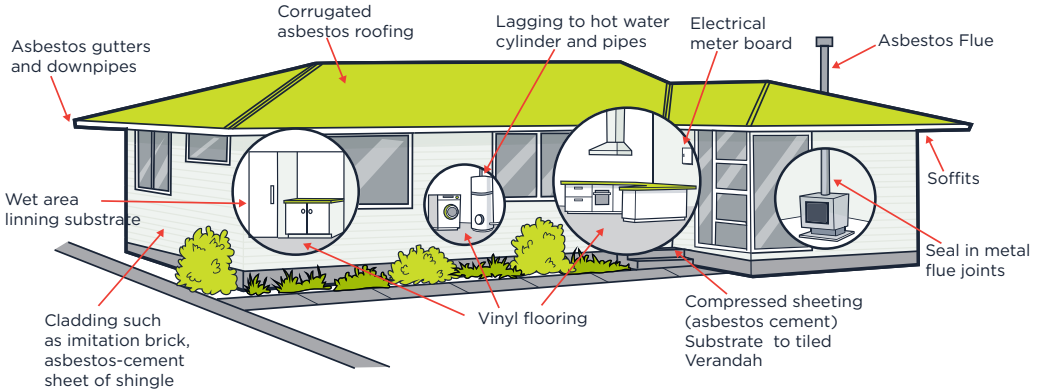
BETWEEN THE MID-1980S AND 1990

it is likely to have materials containing asbestos








AFTER 1990

it is unlikely to have material containing asbestos




ACMs may be found in:

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| ROOFS | corrugated cement roofing ¹ , including lap cement dust. |  |
| | guttering, downpipes, rainwater head |  |
| CEILINGS | ceiling tiles |  |
| | sprayed/textured ceilings |  |
| | lathe and plaster (skim coat) |  |

¹ Debris in the roof space from a previous roof replacement may contain asbestos.

ACMs may be found in:

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| EXTERNAL CLADDING AND EAVES | sheet claddings (flat/corrugated) |  |  |
| | baseboards and kickboards | | |
| | shingles | |  |
| | imitation brick/stone claddings |  |  |
| | soffit linings | |  |
| INTERIOR WALLS AND FINISHES | sprayed/textured wall finishes | |  |
| | insulation board (eg around fireplaces) | |  |
| | plasterboard lining and jointing compound | |  |
| | skim coat on lathe and plaster | |  |
| FLOORS | vinyl sheet and tile flooring | |  |

| ACMs may be found in: | | |
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| INSULATION | roof and wall insulation | |
| | lagging (insulation) | |
| | hot water cylinder insulation | |
| PIPES | drainage pipes | |
| MISCELLANEOUS | flues | |
| | seals on wood burners/firedoors | |
| | fuse boards (mill board)/ linings in fuse holders |  |
| | fire cement in old chimneys | |
| | night store heater | |
| | fences | |
| | Moss, lichen and algae from the roof and exterior walls | |

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