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Managing Asbestos

Are you meeting your legal, commercial and ethical obligations?

Recent changes to the Control of Asbestos at Work Act 2002 (CAWR) mean that most commercial entities need to identify the risks posed by asbestos in their premises, and put in place demonstrable plans to manage the risk effectively.

Why you need a plan

Asbestos-related diseases kill 3,000 people a year in the UK alone, and this figure is expected to rise to nearer 10,000 deaths a year by 2010 (HSE 2002). Along with the obvious health risks, there is also the threat of prosecution for non-compliance with CAWR, asset depreciation and the threat of compensation claims by anyone who may have been exposed to asbestos. Insurers are also very aware of this problem and are starting to ask for copies of asbestos management plans when quoting for new business and processing renewals, and the absence of documentation will undoubtedly affect your future premiums.

We can help you

J. Bennett & Son, working with a number of insurers, is able to offer a straightforward service that enables you to be fully compliant, protect employee and tenant welfare, and protect your asset base, giving you peace of mind.

The services briefly comprises:

1. Status audit: Reviewing existing practices and documentation
2. Initial survey: Visual inspection which assumes presence of asbestos
3. Sampling survey: Includes sample collection and analysis, and risk assessment
4. Training: Able to train staff to manage asbestos safely in-house

*For more information on the service and how you can manage asbestos in your premises, please call us on **01494 450450***