# ASBESTOS LAW for RENOVATIONS AND DEMOLITIONS at Commercial Structures



Failure to comply with the City of Indianapolis' asbestos regulation may result in fines up to \$10,000.00 per day per violation. Failure to comply with State and Federal regulations may result in fines up to \$27,500.00 per day per violation.

Prior to beginning a demolition or renovation project at a commercial facility (or residential facility with 5 or more dwelling units), the structure must be inspected for the presence of asbestos. The property owner also may be required to submit advanced written notification of the demolition or asbestos removal (see attached Notice of Intent form) prior to beginning the project. Failure to comply with the requirements could result in enforcement action and civil penalties against both the owner and operator.

### BEFORE RENOVATION OR DEMOLITION, YOU MUST:

1. Have the structure or portion of the structure undergoing renovation or demolition thoroughly inspected by an Indiana licensed asbestos building inspector.

2. If asbestos is present, an Indiana licensed and City of Indianapolis permitted asbestos contractor must remove the Regulated Asbestos Containing Material (RACM) before demolition or renovation that might disturb the asbestos containing material. Asbestos removal in a facility that will be demolished or renovated may require ten (10) working days' advanced written notification to the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) and the City's Office of Environmental Services, using IDEM's Notice of Intent form.

3. If no asbestos is present, written notification using the Notice of Intent is required ten (10) days prior to demolition so that an inspection by the City and/or IDEM asbestos regulatory agencies may occur to verify that no asbestos is present.

#### WHO CAN REMOVE ASBESTOS?

Only an Indiana-licensed and City of Indianapolis-permitted asbestos contractor may remove regulated asbestos material if the amount is equal to or greater than three (3) square feet, three (3) linear feet, or three fourths (0.75) of a cubic foot.

### WHERE CAN I FIND INDIANA LICENSED INSPECTORS AND ASBESTOS REMOVAL CONTRACTORS?

- 1. Asbestos inspectors may be found in the Yellow Pages under "Asbestos Consultants and Environmental Services".
- 2. Asbestos removal contractors may be found in the <u>Yellow Pages</u> under "Asbestos Removal and Abatement Services".
- 3. A list of licensed asbestos removal contractors may be obtained from the City's Office of Environmental Services at (317)327-2234.

### NOTIFICATION OF DEMOLITION AND RENOVATION OPERATIONS

A complete IDEM Notification of Demolition and Renovation Operations form may be required ten (10) working days prior to demolition or asbestos removal from a facility that will be demolished or renovated. All information contained in the notification form must be completed. If you need a form, please contact our office at the telephone number below.

All Notifications of Demolition and Renovation Operations are to be mailed or delivered to the following agencies:

\* Residential structures with fewer than four (4) dwelling units which are owned by an individual must only submit a Notification to the City of Indianapolis' Office of Environmental Services.

City of Indianapolis Office of Environmental Services 2700 South Belmont Avenue Indianapolis, IN 46221 (317)327-2234 telephone (317)327-2274 fax

IDEM Office of Air Quality P.O. Box 6015 Indianapolis, IN 46206-6015 (317)233-3861 telephone (317)233-3257 fax

## FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Contact the Asbestos Compliance Inspector for the City of Indianapolis
Office of Environmental Services
(317) 327-2234

Or Visit our website at www.indy-enviro.org