

ASBESTOS CONTROL PROGRAM COVID19 SPECIAL CONDITIONS

General

All owners and contractors should comply with the following:

NYSDOH INTERIM GUIDANCE FOR CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES DURING THE COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY, see link below:

<u>https://www.governor.ny.gov/sites/governor.ny.gov/files/atoms/files/ConstructionMasterGuidance.pdf</u> and affirm understanding and implementation of the requirements to reopen construction project<u>and</u> the requirements set forth by the

NYC Department of Buildings (NYCDOB) Phase I Re-Opening, see link below:

https://www1.nyc.gov/site/buildings/about/restart-phase-1.page.

NYC Department of Health and Mental Health (DOHMH), Re-Opening Construction, see link below: <u>https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/doh/downloads/pdf/imm/covid-19-reopening-construction-guidance.pdf</u> At a minimum the following should be adhered to:

- 1. Implement health screening check of each incoming employee prior to the work shift.
- Implement temperature check of incoming employees prior to the work shift. Any worker with a temperature reading above 100.4º F must not be allowed to work. The date and time temperature was taken for each work shift must be entered into the project logbook.
- 3. When a worker tests positive for COVID19, this must be reported immediately to DEP ACP via an email notification to <u>COVID19asbestos@dep.nyc.gov</u>.
- 4. Develop and have posted on-site all the COVID-19 worker protection plans required by NYSDOH and NYCDOB.
- 5. All workers/individuals who are engaged with any activities outside of the work area must at all times comply with the social distancing and face covering guidelines.
- 6. Remind workers that there is no eating, drinking, smoking or congregating at the workplace.

Asbestos Projects

Asbestos projects pose multiple hazards to workers. However, in relation to COVID19, the decontamination process has been identified as the area where exposure to COVID19 would occur. Specifically, within the decontamination unit, the shower room and clean room pose the most risk for worker exposure to COVID19. Therefore, in addition to compliance with the 15RCNY, it is strongly recommended that abatement contractors employ these additional COVID-19 safety precautions during the work shift:

Decontamination unit

- 1. Sanitize the clean room and shower room at the end of each shift and between all breaks (lunch hour). These activities must be documented in the asbestos handler supervisor's project log.
- 2. EPA's approved sanitizing/disinfectant agents must be used at all times. For a list of disinfectants that are approved by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) as effective against the virus that causes COVID-19, visit:

https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-registration/list-n-disinfectants-use-against-sars-cov-2

Clean Room:

- 1. When social distancing requirements cannot be met, allow only one worker in the clean room at any one time.
- 2. Provide clear sealed plastic bags for storage of street clothing/shoe storage- do not hang clothing on hooks.
- 3. If lockers are utilized they should be sanitized at the end of each shift.
- 4. Install and maintain hand sanitizer in the clean room at all times.

Shower room:

- 1. When social distancing requirements cannot be met, allow only one worker in the shower room at any one time.
- 2. Ensure that sufficient quantity of soap and hot water are available <u>at all times.</u>

Holding Area and Waste transfer:

- 1. All workers involved in the transferring of ACM waste outside the holding area must continue to wear PPE and respirators if social distancing cannot be complied with.
- 2. When an elevator is being used to transport waste there should be a maximum of two workers per elevator.

Exterior Projects:

- 1. No general construction work should be conducted within 50 linear feet of the regulated area.
- 2. General construction workers must don face coverings and comply with the social distancing policies while working.

I certify that the COVID-19 Special Conditions will be complied with for this emergency project located at:

Premise Address	Borough
Abatement Contractor Name	
Abatement Contractor Name (Print)	// Date
Abatement Contractor Signature	