ASBESTOS CAN BE IN ANY HOME BUILT OR RENOVATED BEFORE 1987.



Before you renovate or maintain your home, find out where asbestos could be and how to deal with it safely. asbestosawareness.com.au





DON'T PLAY RENOVATION ROULETTE!

- 1 in 3 Australian homes contain asbestos building materials.
- The risk to families is when asbestos building materials are disturbed or damaged and this can release dangerous dust and fibres that can be inhaled.
- People put themselves and their children at risk if they are not aware of the hazards of working with asbestos materials including fibro.
- There are legal and safety requirements for the management of asbestos. Follow the regulations!
- The cost of asbestos removal by a licenced professional is comparable in price to most licenced tradesmen including electricians, plumbers and tilers.
- The cost of disposal at a lawful landfill site is usually included when using a licenced professional removalist.
- Importantly, if you find asbestos in your home;
 Don't cut it! Don't drill it! Don't drop it! Don't sand it!
 Don't saw it! Don't scrape it! Don't scrub it! Don't
 dismantle it! Don't tip it! Don't waterblast it! Don't
 demolish it! And whatever you do... Don't dump it!"

Whether a home is constructed of weatherboard, brick, fibro or has exterior cladding, asbestos can be found in and around homes built or renovated before the mid 80s.

Asbestos can be found in kitchens, bathrooms, laundries and under floor coverings such as carpets, linoleum and vinyl tiles, behind wall and floor tiles, in cement floors, internal and external walls, garages, ceilings, eaves, around hot water pipes, fences, extensions to homes, outdoor toilets and backyard sheds – it could be anywhere.

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to learn where asbestos might be found in the home and how to manage it safely!



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