

Asbestos

Duty to Manage

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Control of Asbestos Regulations 2006



- Came into force 13th December 2006
- Revoke previous legislation
- Make duties clearer for everyone
- Few things are new
 - Lower control limit
 - Clarifies non-licensable work
 - Training required for ANYONE who is, or may be, exposed to asbestos

The Duty to Manage – Reg 4

- Take reasonable steps identify whether asbestos or asbestos containing materials (ACM) are present.
- If so record the location, the condition and the amount
- Presume materials contain asbestos unless know otherwise
- Keep ongoing record of location and condition

Regulation 4

- Assess risks of anyone being exposed to fibres
- Plan in detail how to manage risks (repair / remove?)
- Periodically review and monitor plan
- Provide information to anyone who may come into contact with ACM's
- Dutyholder - the person who owns building and / or has clear responsibility for maintenance and repair
- Applies to all non-domestic premises

Duty to manage



Campaign: “eight steps”

- 1 Who is the ‘dutyholder’?
- 2 Building constructed before 2000?
- 3 Information to hand about asbestos
- 4 Survey

(continued)

Duty to manage



Campaign: “eight steps” (*continued*)

5 Act on damage

6 Keep a record (map / photographs?)

7 Tell people

8 Monitor

Basic Principals

- Asbestos is only dangerous if disturbed/ damaged
- Use practical steps, not always necessary to remove
- There are varying degrees of risk
- Always presume a material is asbestos if unknown

New survey guidance



Managing ASBESTOS in premises: THE SURVEY GUIDE

Surveying, sampling and assessment of asbestos-containing materials

Guidance for Clients, Duty Holders, Surveyors and Others

- Will be an HSG series publication
- Will also be web-based

Survey Types

Management Survey: continued use of the building:

- normal occupancy/activities and
- associated maintenance/installation etc
- involve minor intrusive work

Refurbishment/demolition Survey:

- includes “minor” refurbishment
- purpose to identify ACMs for **REMOVAL**

- Surveys can involve combination of sampling and presuming ACMs present

How do you comply ?

- Appointing outside organisation (survey)
 - Training & experience
 - Managing asbestos in premises: The survey guide (previous MHDS100)
- In house inspection – (company register)
 - Training & experience
 - Plans and previous surveys/ inspections

What should be in survey record



- Who, When, & Type of survey
- Location and condition of ACM's (description of appearance)
Photographic record?
- Location and condition of non asbestos materials
- Areas not accessible when surveyed
- Can include recommendations for removals/ encapsulation

**Table 1: Summary of Survey Results
and format for Asbestos Register**



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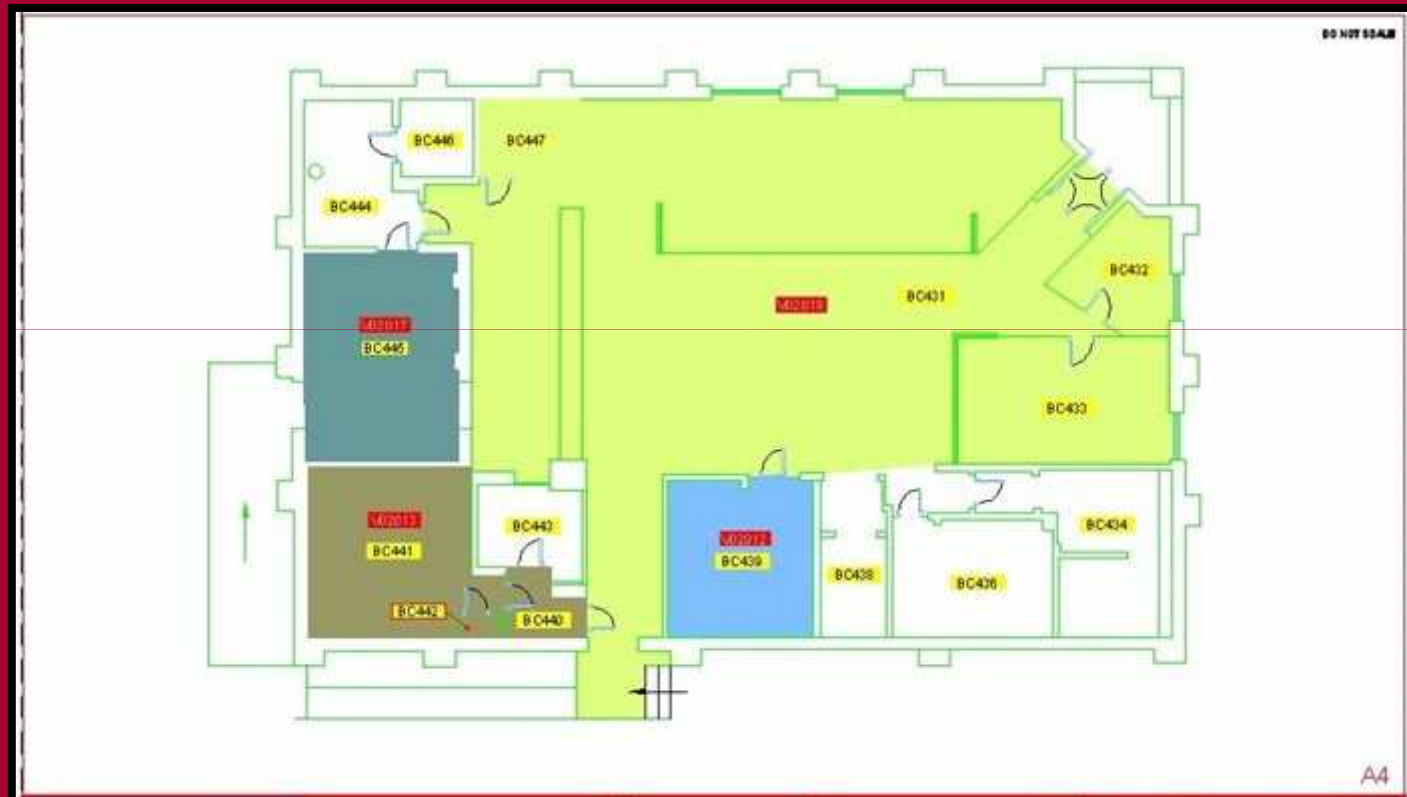
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Location	Product Type	Extent	Accessibility	Condition	Surface Treatment	Asbestos Type	Sample No	Sampled/ Presumed/	Material Assessment Score and ACTION	Priority Score
								Strongly Presumed		ACTION
Room 4 1 st floor Ceiling	AIB	Whole ceiling 120 sq m	Medium	Good	Painted one face only	Amosite	1	Sampled 4 samples	5	12
Room 4 1 st floor Fire door	Asbestos board on door carcass (AIB)	21 sq m	Medium	Good	Encapsulated by wood in door	Amosite	2	Sampled 1 sample	5	12
Room 5 Store ceiling	Asbestos ceiling tiles (AIB)	5 sq m	Medium	Good	Painted one face only	Amosite	3	Sampled 1 sample	5	13
Room 5 Store lino on floor	Cushion floor (paper)	5 sq m	Easy	Good damage to edge	Covered by vinyl	Chrysotile	4	Sampled 1 sample	4	11
Room 5 Store Electrical switch box	Woven cloth	Possibly 4 items	Medium	Medium	Unsealed	Chrysotile	5	Strongly presumed	8	14 remove during next campaign
Lift Motor room Roof	Brake shoes	2 items	Difficult	Medium	Unsealed	Chrysotile	6	Strongly presumed	4	10 'H' Vac dust
Plant room Roof Pipe lagging	Pipe insulation	24 linear meters	Easy	Good	Sealed and labelled	Crocidolit Amosite Chrysotile	7	Sampled 6 samples	8	14 remove during next campaign
Plant room Roof Wall panels	Asbestos panels (AIB)	43 sq m	Easy	Good	1 face sealed and labelled	Chrysotile	8	Sampled 4 samples	5	14 monitor weekly

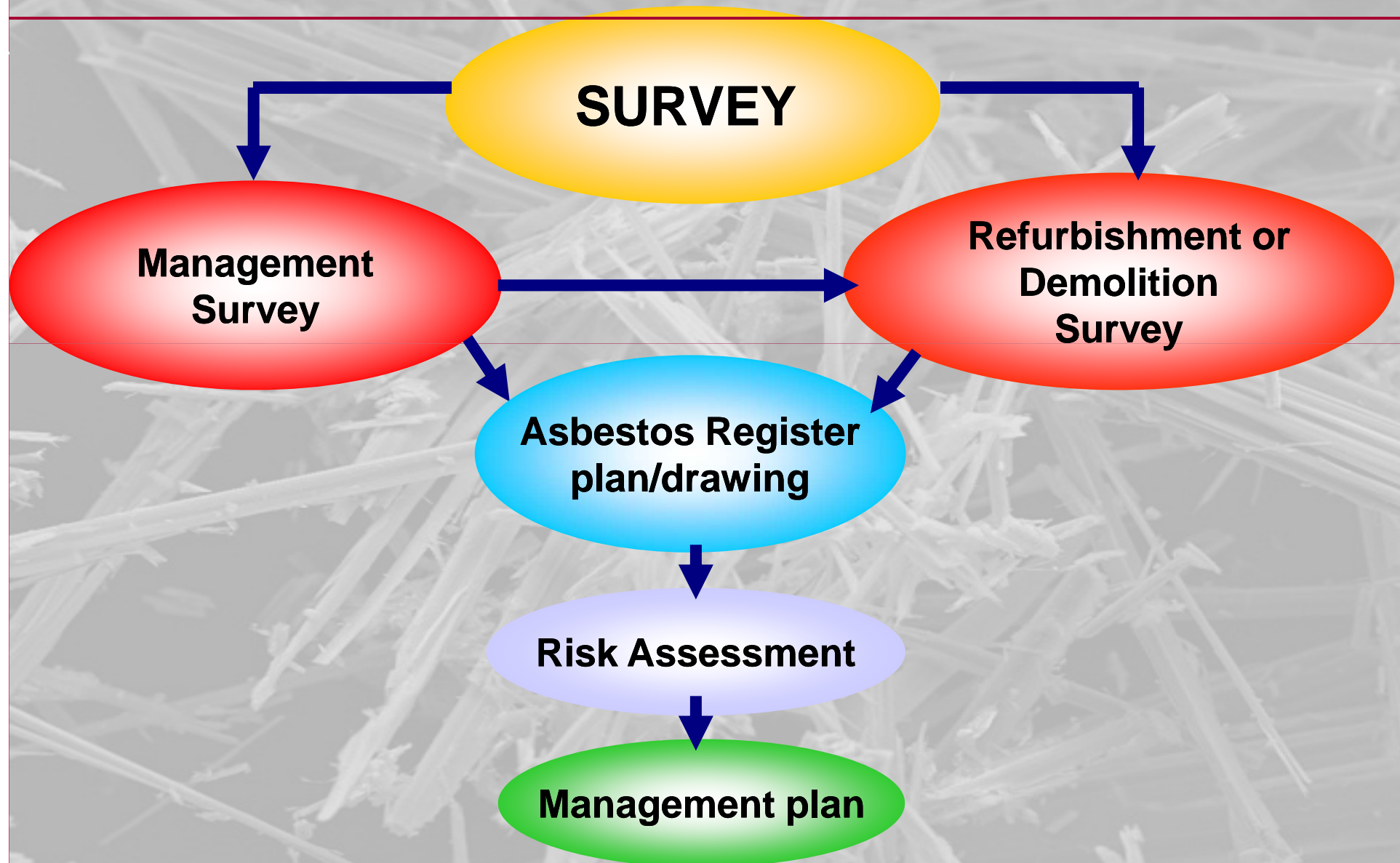
Material Scores above 10 have high potential to release fibres

Asbestos Building Plan

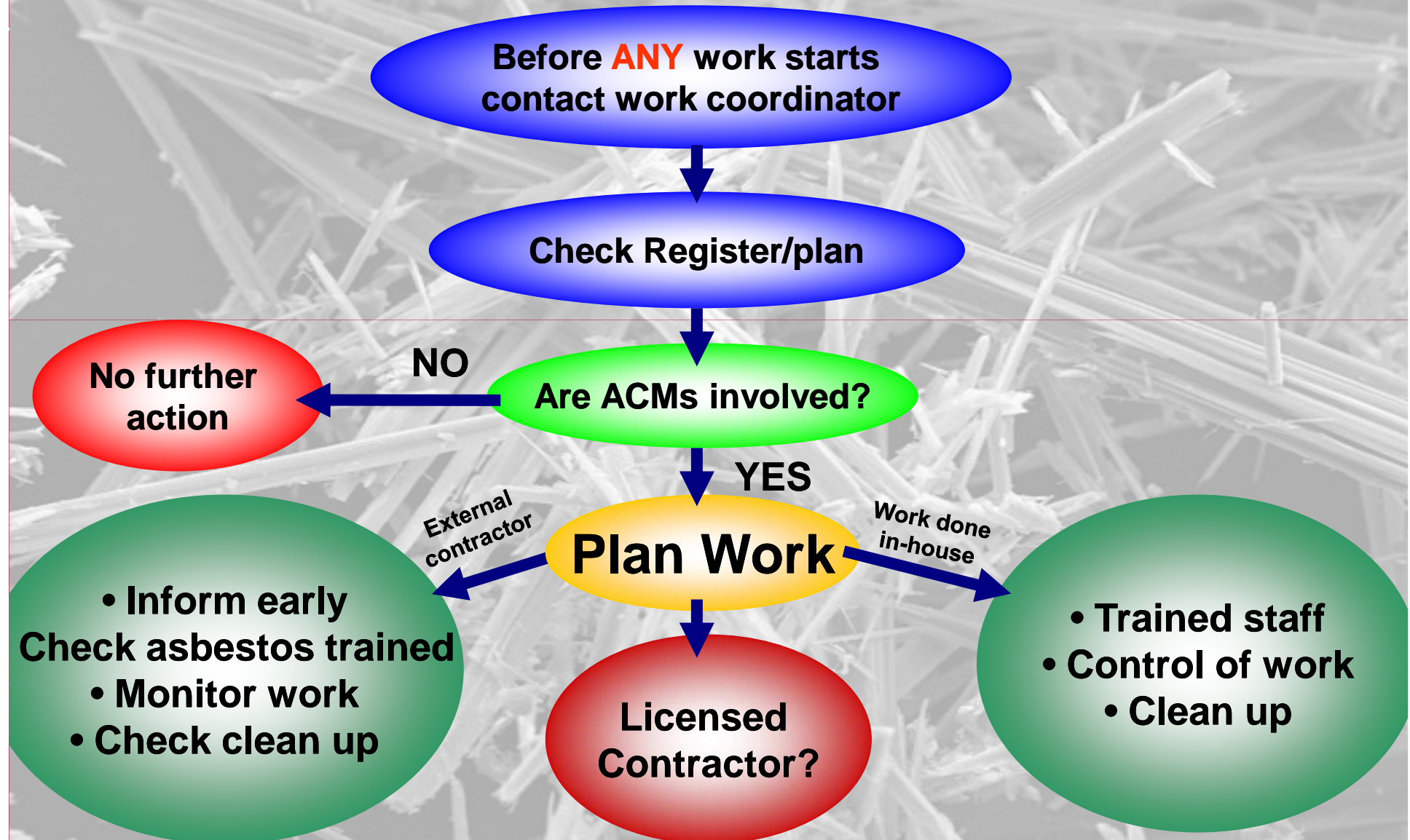
Key: Red labels = Asbestos in Room
(see Survey Report for details)



Where does Survey fit into Managing Asbestos?



Managing maintenance work





Condition of asbestos?

Ask yourself:

‘Are any fibres likely to be released from this?’

Is there any visible damage (loose fibres)?

Are there any deposits on nearby surfaces?

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Managing my asbestos

A step by step guide to the duty to manage asbestos

This systematic guide takes duty holders through the process of understanding their duties as defined in Regulation 4 of the Control of Asbestos Regulations 2006.

A set of questions will enable you to identify whether you are a duty holder and take you through a series of steps to help you decide if there is asbestos present and if so, how to manage it.

It is visual and easy to follow, but it takes several visits to complete. This is accessible guidance, intended to be user friendly and will save you time in understanding your duties.



Begin: 1. Introduction

If you require information on any other aspects of asbestos please return to the [main asbestos site](#).

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1. Introduction

If you are responsible for premises such as a shop or small industrial unit, following this scheme helps you to carry out your legal duty to manage asbestos.

This scheme helps you to do an **asbestos risk assessment** and produce an **asbestos management plan**. It involves:

1. Finding out and recording where asbestos might be.
2. Deciding what is most important.
3. Deciding what action to take and how to plan any work.

Checklist - overview of steps

Before you begin, print this checklist.

This is important as the process takes some time to complete. It will help you to note down where you are up to in your assessment.



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What could asbestos look like?

More images of asbestos