

## Frequently Asked Questions Regarding Asbestos Removal

**Q. Is it safe to be doing asbestos abatement in an occupied building?**

**A.** Yes. Asbestos abatement contractors must follow strict regulations when performing asbestos abatement to ensure that asbestos is not dispersed outside the work area. The abatement area is segregated from occupied/non-abatement areas using plastic sheeting and in some cases,



**A.** Asbestos contractors wear disposable suits, hoods, gloves, shoe covers and respirators. Between the abatement area and the non-abatement area, there is a clean-up/decontamination area where the contractors remove their protective clothing before entering the clean zone. At no time does a worker exit the abatement area without properly decontaminating himself/herself.

In all cases, the regulations require air monitoring outside the abatement area, which confirms that there is no contamination outside the abatement area.

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