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General Asbestos Licensing Information

Kentucky DAQ has two licensing programs – one associated with NESHAP (contractor certifications) and the other with ASHARA (individual accreditations). The main differences between NESHAP work (for which contractor certification is required) and ASHARA work (for which individual accreditation is required) are:

- NESHAP work involves *demolition- or renovation-related* removals of Regulated Asbestos Containing Materials in amounts of at least *160 square, 260 linear, or 35 cubic feet* over the course of one year's time.
- ASHARA work involves *renovation-related* response actions (removal, repair, encapsulation, or enclosure) of friable asbestos-containing building materials in amounts of at least *3 square, 3 linear, or 0.5 cubic feet inside public, commercial, or school buildings*.

*Asbestos removal in Jefferson County, KY further regulated under the Louisville Metro Air Pollution Control District (LMAPCD). If a project is to take place in Jefferson County, please contact LMAPCD directly as their regulations are more stringent.

Becoming a Certified Company

Under 401 KAR 58:040 (accessible at <http://www.lrc.state.ky.us/kar/TITLE401.htm>), we certify companies to do abatement work subject to NESHAP. This program focuses on the company's supervisors, who are required to do 4 things to get their company certified initially:

1. Complete DEP-7034 application for Asbestos Certification.
2. Have at least one Supervisor(s), one of whom must be present during the entire abatement process, complete all of the following:
 - Attend and pass an EPA-approved Abatement Supervisor course and annual refreshers.
 - Attend an Orientation Course put on monthly by DAQ in Frankfort to explain the Kentucky asbestos regulations; and
 - Perform a "demonstration project" to show competency in setting up an abatement job.

DAQ inspects the “demonstration project” before any removal takes place, and if the setup demonstrates competence, DAQ writes an inspection report documenting the findings and recommending the issuance of the certificate to the company. This “demonstration project” may be performed in one of two ways. In some cases, it can be done in conjunction with an actual project if all other required steps have already been completed and 10-day notification has been submitted. Building a mock setup and performing a simulated project is also an option.

Once the above steps have been completed, an 8.5 x 11” certificate listing the supervisors who have satisfied the four requirements will be issued. One of the supervisors listed on the certificate must be present during all abatement work. Once a company is certified, it can add more supervisors to its certificate by putting them through the EPA-approved training and sending them to the half-day KYDAW workshop. **All supervisors and workers who will be performing work that qualifies under ASHARA and/or NESHAP must also be individually accredited.**

Becoming an Accredited Asbestos Individual

1. Complete DEP-6038 application for Asbestos Accreditation
2. Attend and pass an EPA-approved course for desired Accreditation discipline
3. Submit completed application, associated fee, and current Proof of Training document.

In Kentucky, accreditations will expire when the Proof of Training document provided expires. Also, please note that DAQ can only accept embossed copies of certain trainer’s certificates as Proof of Training. Once a completed application has been received and processed, a license will be issued to the applicant with a unique accreditation number.

Please contact our office for verification or with any questions.