

Common locations of materials containing asbestos in a house

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Labels for the house cutaway diagram:

- Eaves
- Infill panels above windows and doors, also used in putty in old metal framed windows and glass doors
- Low density asbestos fibre board and 'fibro' ceiling and wall sheeting.
- Wood heater (rope in door and sheeting under the brick hearth base)
- Backing to the sheet vinyl, carpet underlay, backing behind the ceramic wall tiles and textile seal to the oven
- Wet areas (e.g. bathroom, toilet, laundry) including wall lining, ceiling lining and under floor tiles
- Corrugated asbestos roofing
- Backyard sheds, outbuildings, dog kennels
- Switchboard
- Water and stormwater pipes, telecommunications pits, waterproofing membrane, used form work and fencing
- Asbestos cement wall sheeting
- Sub floor packers
- Sheeting under the floor tiles, Tilux splash backs, lagging to hot water pipes and lining to the hot water unit
- Hot water piping 'chased into walls'

Material examples and their locations:

- Imitation brick containing asbestos
- Asbestos backed vinyl sheet flooring
- Super Six roof sheeting used as fencing
- Terazzo type asbestos backed vinyl sheet flooring
- Zelimate backing board to an external switchboard
- Asbestos vinyl tiles
- Hardiplank wall cladding
- House roof and walls
- Flat sheet stripping used in a woven pattern for fencing
- Fibro walls
- Moulded telecommunications pit
- Corrugated asbestos roof "Super Six" in a "Tuscan Tiles" profile
- DT surround (disconnecter trap)
- Corrugated asbestos roof
- Vent pipe
- Vertical profiled asbestos containing wall panels

Buildings before 1990 may contain asbestos materials. If you are not sure whether a materials contains asbestos, play it safe and presume it does.

For more information or to obtain the *Asbestos: A home renovator's and tradesperson's guide for minor work in domestic buildings*, visit www.worksafe.qld.gov.au or call the Workplace Health and Safety Infoline on 1300 369 915.

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