



Annual Asbestos Notification

Colleagues,

California Health and Safety Code Section 25915 requires that all Cal Poly Pomona employees be notified annually of the presence of asbestos in campus buildings constructed prior to 1979. An asbestos survey has been completed and, as in previous findings, the report confirms the presence of Asbestos Containing Building Materials (**ACBM**) in certain buildings on campus.

It is important to note that the presence of asbestos does not mean you have been exposed. Intact, bonded, sealed or undisturbed asbestos does not pose a hazard. Airborne asbestos levels in buildings are much lower than those in industrial workplaces where serious health effects such as lung cancer and asbestosis have been observed.

Do Not Disturb ACBM

It is important for employees to follow proper work practices to minimize the potential for disturbing ACBM. Avoid touching asbestos materials on walls, ceilings, pipes, or boilers. Do not drill holes, hang plants or other objects from walls/ceilings made of ACBM. Do not disturb ACBM when replacing light bulbs. If you find ACBM that have been damaged, report it by using the [Facilities Management Service Request](#) or call extension 3030. Do not disturb damaged asbestos material or asbestos debris. Only persons authorized and properly trained should perform any work which may disturb asbestos materials.

Asbestos Containing Building Materials may pose a threat to your health, particularly when asbestos fibers become airborne due to deterioration, or as the result of damage. Asbestos conditions in university buildings may vary.

Specific Campus ACBM Locations

Specific locations where ACBM have been found are identified on the [Environmental Health & Safety](#) web page. You may review this web site report, which is organized by building number. Additionally, a more detailed report in Microsoft Excel spreadsheet format is also available.

Asbestos Program

We take this opportunity to remind employees that Cal Poly Pomona has an active program in place to minimize employee exposure to asbestos. As a part of that program, we have conducted and will continue to conduct inspections and tests to ensure that asbestos levels are within acceptable limits. During the past year, Facilities Planning and Management, in conjunction with the Environmental Health and Safety Department, has performed asbestos removal from various buildings on campus as part of on-going construction and demolition to improve campus facilities.

Any employee may review the asbestos survey report and results of bulk sampling or air monitoring tests conducted in our buildings. All asbestos related data will be available during normal business hours in the [Environmental Health & Safety](#) office.

If you have any questions regarding how to interpret the survey or questions related to your building, please feel free to email the Environmental Health and Safety office at ehs@cpp.edu or call us at (909) 869-4697.

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