

# Asbestos 101

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#### **NEW THIRD-PARTY EXAM INFORMATION...**

We have been getting a lot of calls lately concerning the third-party exams and whether or not an individual has passed the exam. As soon as we have entered the data, we will post a list of the people who passed. This list will be on our website, under New Third-Party Exam Information, <a href="https://www.mde.state.md.us/asbestos">www.mde.state.md.us/asbestos</a>. We will likely leave the information up for at least two months. We also offer people the opportunity to pick up the photo IDs in our office, usually a week from the exams, on Friday between 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.

### **TESTING CORNER...**

If your company is sending a group of 10 or more people to the upcoming asbestos exams, you must preregister before the day of the exams. This means we need registration forms, training certificates, and payment at least 10 days before the exam test date. If you are preregistering before you have the certificate, mark on the registration form that you will bring the certificate to the exam. We will still accept walk-ins on the day of the exam but there are no guarantees on availability. Also, be sure that registration forms have the address that the photo ID will be mailed to. We mail the photo IDs by certified mail, which requires a person to sign for receipt. Due to some mix ups on photo ID pickup day, training providers who wish to pick up the cards for their trainees must have them sign a consent form.

# Special Exam to be Held in Western Maryland . . .

We will be holding an asbestos exam at 300 Pratt Street, Luke, Maryland 21540, at 10 a.m. on January 14, 2015. Anyone interested in attending must have their registration and payment in advance because we are unable to send anyone authorized to accept payment. We also need to know the type and amount of exams that we will need to bring. Please ensure that you mark the registration form for Luke, Maryland.

Please call the office if you plan on attending because we may be able to schedule an afternoon session if necessary. We need to know as soon as possible.



#### TRAINING PROVIDERS . . .

Our next training provider meeting will be on Wednesday, March 4, 2015. The meeting will be from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in the Aeris conference room at our MDE office in Baltimore. Please call our office if you have any suggestions for the agenda.

**Procedures for Photo ID cards** – Anyone who has lost their photo ID card must make arrangements with our office and show proof of training and third-party examination. Our Photo ID form is on our website, <a href="www.mde.state.md.us/asbestos">www.mde.state.md.us/asbestos</a>. Call Rebecca MacEwen at 410-537-3811 to schedule an appointment.

## SCHOOLS...

#### Summary of AHERA Inspection Results (Sent to EPA) October 1, 2013 thru October 1, 2014

# Times Violated	Regulation
3	The LEA appears to be in compliance with AHERA, Federal, State regulations
16	Failed to conduct an AHERA inspection or reinspection pursuant to 40 CFR part 763
6	Failed to develop a management plan pursuant to 40 CFR part 763
2	Failed to use <u>accredited</u> persons
22	Failed to provide initial or annual <u>notifications</u> to parents/teachers/employee organizations
7	Failed to <u>notify</u> short term workers
23	Failed to conduct periodic surveillance
34	Failed to maintain required <u>records</u>
23	Failed to ensure proper compliance of <u>response action</u>
21	Failed to provide training for the designated person, custodial or maintenance staff
10	Failed to post warnings
23	Failed to qualify for an AHERA exclusion
18	Failed to sample new suspect material

	LEA in compliance
	Violations at individual schools

## **CONTRACTORS' CORNER...**

We will send determinations and variances by email and will only follow up with a written letter when specifically requested.



#### STATE EMPLOYEE TRAINING CALENDAR

These classes are only for State employees.

January 2015  No classes scheduled	February 2015  5 - Asbestos Automotive (Aqua Conf. Rm.) 18 - Supervisor Review (Terra Conf. Rm.)
<u>March 2015</u>	<u>April 2015</u>
5 - Inspector/Mgmt. Planner Review (Aqua Conf. Rm.)	15 - Safety & Health Specialist (Terra Conf. Rm.)
19 - Worker Review (Terra Conf. Rm.)	23 - Inspector/Mgmt. Planner Review (Terra Conf. Rm.)
If you must cancel your scheduled training, your sup	pervisor must e-mail Sharon Manger at
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