SCDHEC Requirements for Temporary Asbestos Storage Containment Areas

Prior, written approval must be obtained from the Department before a site other than an asbestos abatement project site can be used for the storage of regulated asbestos-containing waste. Written authorization shall also be obtained from the facility owner or his representative prior to transporting regulated asbestos-containing waste from the facility site of generation (Verification of the property owners authorization must be sent directly to the Department by the facility owner).

In order to have a site permitted as a Temporary Asbestos Storage Containment Area, the operator must demonstrate that adequate precautions have been and will continue to be taken to ensure that the waste is properly maintained for the duration of its storage. An operator must submit an application requesting a license for a Temporary Asbestos Storage Containment Area to the Department for review at least 45 days in advance. Within 15 calendar days after receiving an application, the Department will acknowledge receipt of the application and notify the applicant of any deficiency in the application. Within 45 days after receiving a completed application, including additional information requested, the Department will issue a license or deny the request. This application can be submitted using the official Department application form (see reverse side). If using a non-Departmental form the following information must be included:

- removal contractor name, mailing address, contact person, phone number, contractor license number, and license expiration date,
- a physical location of the proposed Temporary Asbestos Storage Containment Area (Please note, placement of storage container(s) shall be a sufficient distance but no less than 30 feet (on all sides) from the nearest roadway, residence, or place of business),
- the distance to the closest residence or place of business,
- storage capacity of the Temporary Asbestos Storage Containment Area,
- directions to the proposed Temporary Asbestos Storage Containment Area including a map, and
- the methods used to restrict access to the Temporary Asbestos Storage Containment Area. (e.g., fencing and warning signs),
- owner & operator certification that the above information is correct.
- letter from the property owner authorizing storage of asbestos-containing waste at the site (if applicable).

The Department reserves the right to inspect the proposed Temporary Asbestos Storage Containment Area prior to granting final approval.

Approval of the Temporary Asbestos Storage Containment Area will be valid for one year from the date of issuance unless the authorization is revoked or suspended by the Department at an earlier date. The Department may revoke or suspend a license based on falsification or known omission of any written submittal required as a basis for this license issuance, omission or improper use of work practices, improper disposal of ACM, or spread of asbestos waste beyond the containment area.

In order to renew a storage license the operator of a Temporary Asbestos Storage Containment Area must resubmit an application for off-site storage of regulated asbestos-containing waste to the Department at least 45 days prior to the expiration of the existing permit. Previous approval of a site as a Temporary Asbestos Storage Containment Area does not guarantee reissuance or continuance of a storage license.

Please note: Before regulated asbestos-containing waste can be stored at a licensed Temporary Asbestos Storage Containment Area, the Department must be notified of the waste generators intent to store such waste from each separate individual project at least 5 days prior to the commencement of abatement.