

Asbestos abatement training

Overview of certification levels

Training programs for asbestos certification must be designed to address the specific competencies and requirements for the intended level of certification. Training providers can select which level(s) they wish to address and design their training program accordingly.

The following table provides an overview of each level.

Level 1: Foundational Awareness	
Target audience	Persons transporting and/or disposing of asbestos-containing waste
Scope of practice for certificate holders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transport asbestos-containing material • Dispose of asbestos-containing waste
Core competencies	Core competencies for Level 1 certification
Assessment	Level 1 certification exam
Prerequisite	None
Note	Level 1 certification is required for those who transport and/or dispose of asbestos waste. It is also recommended for those not who do not require a certificate but would benefit from general asbestos safety knowledge.
Level 2: Asbestos Safety	
Target audience	Persons conducting asbestos abatement work
Scope of practice for certificate holders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Level 1 scope of practice • Perform abatement work
Core competencies	Core competencies for Level 2 certification
Assessment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Level 2 practical skills test • Level 2 certification exam
Prerequisite	Level 1, unless the course combines both levels

Level 3: Asbestos Safety Leader

Target audience	Supervisors and others responsible for health and safety at asbestos abatement worksites
Scope of practice for certificate holders	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Level 1 and Level 2 scope of practice• Plan, oversee, and manage asbestos abatement sites
Core competencies	Core competencies for Level 3 certification
Assessment	Level 3 certification exam
Prerequisite	Level 2

Level S: Surveyor Safety

Target audience	Asbestos surveyors
Scope of practice for certificate holders	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Level 1 scope of practice• Perform asbestos surveys
Core competencies	Asbestos abatement training: Core competencies for Level S certification
Assessment	Level S certification exam
Prerequisite	Level 1

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