Asbestos fibres may be released when work is done on buildings constructed before 1991. Even if it is only minor work. Asbestos fibres cannot be seen by the naked eye. If you breathe them in, you could develop a severe or fatal illness.

If you work on a building built before 1991

Make sure that an asbestos survey has been carried out in all the areas you will occupy on the worksite.

All areas containing asbestos must undergo decontamination before work begins.

Trades affected
Structural work, electricity, plumbing, ceilings, carpentry, heating, roofing, building maintenance, waste disposal, landfills, etc.

Materials affected
Fibre cement, plaster, tile adhesive, window putty, flooring, false ceilings, thermal insulation, flocking, lightweight panels, etc.

Asbestos-related diseases
Pleural plaques, asbestosis, mesothelioma, lung cancer and other cancers

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