

Guide to Asbestos Abatement Permits

An asbestos permit is required to perform abatement of greater than or equal to 40 linear or 80 square feet of asbestos in Philadelphia.* To obtain this permit you must be a licensed Philadelphia abatement contractor.

For more information on asbestos requirements in Philadelphia, please click [here](#) or call Air Management Services at 215-685-7576.

An [Asbestos Permit Application](#) must be submitted to AMS ten days prior to the scheduled start of abatement. In addition to a \$25 filing fee, the permit fee is 2½% of the first \$50,000 of the cost of abatement and 1¼% of the amount exceeding \$50,000.

The Minimum Permit Fee is \$125.

*Abatement projects of less than 40 linear or 80 square feet of asbestos, while not requiring a permit, still requires submitting the [Asbestos Abatement and Demolition/Renovation Notification Form](#) to AMS prior to the start of the project.

An Asbestos Inspection Report (AIR) is required by the Department of Philadelphia Licenses and Inspections (L&I) when applying for a permit for demolition or a renovation that will cost more than \$50,000. This does not apply for demolition of a single residence with three dwelling units or less. The AIR can only be filled out by a certified [Philadelphia Asbestos Investigator](#). If you need an AIR, you must contact a [certified Investigator](#) and they can fill one out for you.