



**New York State Department of Labor**

**David A. Paterson, Governor**

**M. Patricia Smith, Commissioner**

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**Memorandum:**

This is a reminder to everyone engaging, or considering engaging, in asbestos work in New York City. The following conditions are to be met in order to engage in any type of asbestos related work in New York City:

1. You must obtain appropriate certification with the **New York State** Department of Labor (DOL). For example, you must obtain valid, state-issued, Asbestos Inspector certification in order to conduct asbestos surveys/investigations in New York City;
2. The company you work for must possess a valid asbestos handling license issued by the New York State Commissioner of Labor.  
If you are self-employed, you must obtain a valid asbestos handling license in order to perform any type of asbestos related work including Allied Trades.  
Example: If you independently conduct asbestos surveys as an Inspector you must obtain an asbestos handling license;
3. Both the company's asbestos handling license and the individual's asbestos certification (DOL) must be valid at the time they engage in any type of asbestos related activity.

If you have any questions, please contact the NYSDOL Asbestos Control Bureau @ 212-775-3538. 75 Varick Street, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, NY 10013