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## Asbestos Removalist – do you have what it takes?

Need a career change – how about training to become an Asbestos Removalist? Asbestos removal is one of the booming areas in the construction industry that is set for long term growth, not only in NSW, but world-wide.

Basically, asbestos removalists are employed to travel to an area that has had some type of asbestos installed and *safely* remove it. Like all things in life, this sounds pretty simple, but can be a bit trickier than you actually think.

## What You Need To Become An Asbestos Removalist

- To have passed current accreditation for White Card Training and Non-Friable Asbestos Removal Training (Class B).
- Entry level jobs require candidates to be physically strong enough to work efficiently in PPE, and to be able to handle heavy asbestos sheeting
- To possess good written and spoken English communication skills
- Asbestos Removal is strictly controlled by <u>WorkSafe Australia</u> regulations, and removalists need to be able to be fully aware and strongly committed to WorkSafe's OH&S requirements
- Most employers require their removalists to hold a current driver's licence, and for some jobs a
  forklift licence and First Aid can also be a bonus.
- Asbestos Removalists need to be able to work in a team, and be able to take direction from supervisors.

## The Rewards

Depending on your dedication and acquired skills level, there can be excellent opportunities in the field of Asbestos Removal.

- You will have the satisfaction of knowing that the work you do is vital to making Australia a
  more environmentally 'safe' place for people to live.
- Opportunities for advancement although entry level jobs are readily available, many competent employees choose to specialise in more skilled (and higher-income) areas.
- <u>Payscale</u> suggests that entry level Asbestos Labourers are paid well above the minimum wage, but specialist staff can earn big bucks
- Asbestos Removal is set for long-term growth both nationally and internationally so good employment for capable workers is relatively easy to find. In addition there is usually a steady flow of asbestos related work within the Sydney area, due to the <a href="Mr Fluffy">Mr Fluffy</a> clean ups and, as <a href="SafeWork NSW">SafeWork NSW</a> warns, nearly every house built or renovated before 1987 is most likely has some asbestos as a building material.
- One of the big bonuses of working within the Asbestos Industry is travelling there are
  excellent opportunities for competent workers to be contracted by internal companies working
  all around the world.



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Asbestos Removal can be highly rewarding for strong, fit people, looking for a more fulfilling career choice. Edway Training runs accredited both White Card Training and Non-Friable Asbestos Removal Training (Class B) Courses at our <a href="Sydney">Sydney</a> venues.

For any information about training subsidies, to enrol, or any other information concerning our Onsite Training Courses - call us nationally on our 1300 663 350 hotline, Email info.m@edway.edu.au or simply fill out the form on our Asbestos Removal Sydney Page.