



Maryland Department of
the Environment

Asbestos 101

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NEW THIRD PARTY EXAM INFORMATION . . .

We have been getting a lot of calls lately concerning the third party exams and whether or not an individual has passed the exam. As soon as we have entered the data, we will post a list of the people who passed. This list will be located on our website, under New Third Party Exam Information, www.mde.state.md.us/asbestos. Most likely, we will leave the information up for at least two months. We are also offering to have people pick up the photo ids in our office, usually a week from the exams on Friday between 8:00 and 10:00 am.

TRAINING PROVIDERS . . .

Our next training provider meeting will be held in the Aeris Conference Room at MDE on September 4, 2014 from 10 am to noon. Please call our office if you have any suggestions for the agenda.

Procedures for Photo ID cards - For three or fewer employees from the same company, an appointment is not required. For four or more employees, you **MUST** make an appointment with our office. If four or more employees from the same company expect to receive a Photo ID without first getting an appointment, they will be turned away without one. Our Photo ID form is located on our website, www.mde.state.md.us/asbestos. Call our office for details.



SCHOOLS . . .

Summary of AHERA Inspection Results (Sent to EPA)
January 1, 2014 thru May 31, 2014

# Times Violated	Regulation
1	The LEA appears to be in compliance with AHERA, Federal, State regulations
4	Failed to conduct an AHERA inspection or reinspection pursuant to <i>40 CFR part 763</i>
2	Failed to develop a management plan pursuant to <i>40 CFR part 763</i>
1	Failed to use <u>accredited</u> persons
4	Failed to provide initial or annual <u>notifications</u> to parents/teachers/employee organizations
3	Failed to <u>notify</u> short term workers
4	Failed to conduct <u>periodic surveillance</u>
9	Failed to maintain required <u>records</u>
4	Failed to ensure proper compliance of <u>response action</u>
3	Failed to provide training for the designated person, custodial or maintenance staff
2	Failed to post warnings
4	Failed to qualify for an AHERA exclusion
10	Failed to sample new suspect material

	LEA in compliance
	Violations at individual schools

CONTRACTORS' CORNER . . .

The Asbestos Licensing & Enforcement Section would like to welcome our new inspector, Nick Hartzell. He will be an asset to the Section. Please give him your fullest cooperation.

As some of you may have noticed, we have been issuing Administrative Settlement letters (ASL). This is an enforcement tool, which is used when a significant violation has occurred and has been corrected. Please note that penalties will increase if violations are repeated and show a recurring pattern. The following are some examples of ASLs that have been completed within the last 6 months:

- ASL mailed 5/6/2014 for \$5,500- Violations An employee was observed with the hood of his protective suit down, exposing his hair and upper body to an asbestos environment, a violation of COMAR 26.11.21.05D(1); There were no Project Notification signs posted at any entrance to or exit from the building in which an asbestos project was being conducted, a violation of COMAR 26.11.21.06A(2)(a); Failure to affix a label required by 29 CFR Part 1910 or 40 CFR Part 61 with the date the bags were sealed, a violation of COMAR 26.11.21.08A(2); and Failure to notify in accordance with the NESHAP.
- ASL mailed 5/6/2014 for \$1,500- Violation- Failure to construct a three-stage decontamination unit as required for a NESHAP renovation project.



What is wrong with this picture?



Hint: We are in an open space and there is ACM in that glovebag.
Please email the answer to lorraine.anderson@maryland.gov.
Subject name: Answer for Asbestos 101 Newsletter June 2014

Last Quarters Winners (No rewards, Only Recognition)

The answer was eating in containment and new materials inside of an active containment. (The negative air machine was on,)

1. David Andersen, TriSource Environmental LLC
2. Stephen Danner, North Star Contractors
3. Laura Olsen, Frederick County Public Schools

STATE EMPLOYEE TRAINING CALENDAR

These classes are only for State employees.

<p><u>June 2014</u> 5 Worker Review- (Terra)</p>	<p><u>July 2014</u> No Classes Scheduled</p>
<p><u>August 2014</u> No Classes Scheduled</p>	<p><u>September 2014</u> 11 Supervisor Review (Aeris) 18 Inspector/Mgmt. Planner Review(STAT) 22nd-24th Inspector Initial (Aeris-STAT-Aeris) 25th-26th Mgmt. Planner Initial (Aeris)</p>
<p>If you must cancel your scheduled training, your supervisor must e-mail Sharon Manger at sharon.manger@maryland.gov or call at 1-800-633-6101 ext. 3200.</p>	

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