



Maryland Department of
the Environment

Asbestos 101

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TRAINING PROVIDERS . . .

Our next training provider meeting will be held in the Aeris Conference Room at MDE on March 5, 2014 from 10 am to noon. We will address any questions or problems the training providers have come across concerning the Ramirez Bill.

If you had your training before October 1, 2013, and lost or had your Photo ID card stolen, you may come to our office at MDE on the first or third Tuesday of the month and get a replacement card. Our next photo op session will be on December 3 and 17. You will need to bring a valid training certificate, \$25 (exact change only) and a completed Photo ID card form. You may find this form on our webpage at www.mde.state.md.us/asbestos. Click on Asbestos Forms on the left side of the screen and then scroll down to Photo Id form, print out this form and complete it. If you have taken training after October 1, 2013, then you will need to come to our office to take the third party exam. A schedule of upcoming exam dates is attached.

SCHOOLS . . .

Summary of AHERA Inspection Results (Sent to EPA)
October 1, 2012 thru September 30, 2013

# Times Violated	Regulation
8	The LEA appears to be in compliance with AHERA, Federal, State regulations
6	Failed to conduct an AHERA inspection or reinspection pursuant to <i>40 CFR part 763</i>
5	Failed to develop a management plan pursuant to <i>40 CFR part 763</i>
2	Failed to use <u>accredited</u> persons
12	Failed to provide initial or annual <u>notifications</u> to parents/teachers/employee organizations
13	Failed to <u>notify</u> short term workers
12	Failed to conduct <u>periodic surveillance</u>
30	Failed to maintain required <u>records</u>
15	Failed to ensure proper compliance of <u>response action</u>
8	Failed to provide training for the designated person, custodial or maintenance staff
6	Failed to post warnings
12	Failed to qualify for an AHERA exclusion
14	Failed to sample or assume new suspect material
2	Headquarters management plans did not mirror the management plans at the schools inspected

	LEA in compliance
	Violations at individual schools
	Violations at headquarters (Major LEAs)



Contractors' Corner....

As many of you are aware, the Department has been administering the third-party asbestos exams for all those who have completed their Asbestos training after Oct. 1, 2013. Although we have had relatively small turnouts in October and November we expect the numbers to increase and recommend that you pre-register to ensure a seat for the exam. We have scheduled the exam dates through April. We appreciate your patience during the transition.

We sent out an email clarifying the ten working day requirement for all NESHAP projects, and have continued to see notifications for projects without ten working days. We count the ten-day waiting period from the postmark date, with work starting on the 11th working day. Working days are defined as Monday through Friday, including holidays. So get your notifications in early to avoid violations and delays in starting your projects.

STATESIDE . . .

STATE EMPLOYEE TRAINING CALENDAR

These classes are only for State employees.

<p><u>December 2013</u></p> <p>No classes scheduled</p>	<p><u>January 2014</u></p> <p>No classes scheduled</p>
<p><u>February 2014</u></p> <p>27 - Asbestos Inspector/Mgmt. Planner Review Terra Conference Room</p>	<p><u>March 2014</u></p> <p>13 - Asbestos Supervisor Review Terra Conference Room</p> <p>24-28 - Asbestos Inspector/Mgmt. Planner Initial 24-27 Terra Conference Room 28 Sassafras Conference Room</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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