



Safe disposal of asbestos

To dispose of asbestos with The City of Calgary, we require a permit and a disposal appointment. The asbestos must be specially packaged before it can be accepted. Please note: [tipping fees will apply](#).

You can find private companies that handle asbestos cleanup in the [Yellow Pages under "Asbestos Removal & Abatement"](#).

Permits

To apply for a permit, complete an [online service request](#) or contact 311. You can also call 403-268-8440 or email industrialpermits@calgary.ca.

The City of Calgary's waste permit application for asbestos has no fee and is valid for up to one year.

Appointments

We only accept asbestos at the Shepard Landfill Industrial Area, from Tuesday to Friday between 8 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. (closed on holidays). Prior to disposal, a 24-hour notice must be scheduled with us. The cut-off time for a 24-hour notice is 10 a.m. the day before next-day disposal.

Once a booking is made, you will receive a confirmation email. You must bring a printed copy of the confirmation email, in addition to a printed copy of your permit, when making a disposal.

Rates

Asbestos is charged the [Industrial Waste rate](#), which is \$160/tonne (2016).

All loads are subject to inspection prior to unloading. If loads have rips, tears, or openings in the poly wrapping, the load will be turned away or charged a Hard-to-Handle surcharge of \$275/load (2016).

Packaging

Friable and rigid asbestos loads must be double-bagged with polyethylene sheets (6-mil) and friable asbestos-containing material must be wetted prior to being bagged.

All bags / bladders must be double-wrapped and sealed (with duct tape or similar product) to prevent a release of material at the landfill. The maximum recommended size of the bin is 40 cubic yards. The maximum recommended size of a bladder is 20 cubic yards.

Concrete pipe with asbestos must also be double-wrapped with a minimum of 6-mil poly and sealed tight. The pipe must be unloaded in a way that does not affect the poly wrapping, such as a picker truck with slings or another method pre-approved by The City.

Improperly packaged asbestos

When you package asbestos, please avoid the following:



Improper bags



Unbagged waste



Improper wrapping



Not double-wrapped



Torn wrapping



Non-asbestos waste