

Tenants - Frequently Asked Questions about asbestos in the home

- Q: Do Housing Authority homes have asbestos?
- **A:** The Housing Authority has over 30,000 homes and a small percentage of them have asbestos.
- Q: How do I know if I have asbestos in my rental property?
- A: If asbestos has been identified at your property, you will receive a copy of the Asbestos Register; and a brochure about Asbestos in the Home from your Housing Officer.
- Q: If the asbestos in my rental property becomes damaged, what do I do?
- A: You need to report the damage by completing an Online Maintenance Request Form at www.housing.wa.gov.au or by telephoning Housing Direct on 1300 137 677. You must also avoid disturbing the damaged asbestos until it is inspected and either remediated or removed by an appropriately qualified person.
- Q: What will happen when I report damaged asbestos?
- A: The Housing Authority will organise for the asbestos to be inspected and a decision will be made to either remediate or remove the asbestos.
- Q: How can I find out more about asbestos?
- A: The Department of Health has a very useful website. http://www.healthywa.wa.gov.au/asbestos