



Asbestos Testing

EnviroLab Services offers an asbestos testing service that allows you to discover whether asbestos is present in any suspected materials. This service is open to commercial and domestic customers.

Please note that there are precautions that you should take before attempting to sample any material that is suspected of containing asbestos, as certain materials will release asbestos fibres into the air when broken or disturbed.

The instructions below should be considered the minimum precautions you should take when sampling material suspected of containing asbestos. If in doubt, please call us.

If the material you are considering sampling looks like a sprayed finish, particularly if it is insulating material on pipe work, boilers or ceilings, do not sample this yourself.

Special precautions are required for sampling this material. Disturbing lagging that contains asbestos is extremely dangerous and should only be carried by qualified individuals.

Dampen or wet the material
Use pliers, with the inside edges protected with a baby-wipe to break off a small thumbnail sized sample
Place the sample (and the baby wipe) into a sealable polythene bag - such as a sandwich bag
Place the bagged sample inside another sealable bag
Attach a label to the bag identifying the sample type (ceiling tile, fire board, etc) and your name and address
Seal the area of the sampled material with duct tape or paint to avoid fibre release
Clean any tools used with cold water

When you have your double-bagged sample, you may send (by courier) or bring it to us at **12 Ashley St Chatswood NSW 2067**, together with your payment of \$110 including GST per sample: PLEASE MAKE CHEQUES PAYABLE TO ENVIROLAB SERVICES. We also accept payment by Visa or Mastercard.

Results will be reported within 5 working days. Please contact us if you wish to have the results faster than this. Rush results will attract a surcharge.

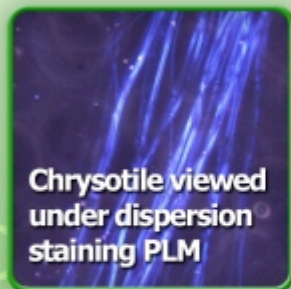
You will be given a certificate that identifies whether asbestos is present in the sample and also identifying the type of asbestos that's present.

In most cases, asbestos containing materials can safely be left in place, as there will be little or no risk of fibre release.

For further information contact Tania Notaras or Joshua Lim on 02 9910 6200 or tnotaras@envirolabservices.com.au or jl@envirolabservices.com.au

EnviroLab is an analytical testing laboratory that offers a wide array of testing services to support environmental investigations focused on environmental chemistry, asbestos, lead paint, acid sulfate, emissions and industrial hygiene applications. The laboratory employs 40 full-time staff and several casuals. They are a strong, passionate and committed team supported by technology well ahead of the industry standard.

EnviroLab is located in Chatswood in Sydney. This location is centrally situated in the lower north shore area, and provides excellent access to all areas of Sydney.



Chrysotile viewed under dispersion staining PLM



Chrysotile fibre bundle



Matt Mansfield
Asbestos Identifier