

# ASBESTOS GUIDELINES



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## For the **SAFE** Disposal of **Asbestos** at the Maitland Resource Recovery Facility

Asbestos can have serious health implications if inappropriately handled.

In order to protect the health and safety of people the following guidelines must be complied with:

- 1.** All asbestos loads must be booked in 24 hours prior to delivery at Maitland Resource Recovery Facility. Asbestos loads will be accepted on Wednesdays and Fridays only. Please contact the weighbridge operator on **4934 1888** to make a booking.
- 2.** All Asbestos must be wrapped in 2 layers of plastic sheeting with a thickness of at least 0.2mm (Builders Plastic). The plastic sheets must be sealed using adhesive packing tape to prevent any material becoming airborne. Large loads must be wrapped in manageable bundles. The height of each bundle must not exceed 0.5m. It is expected all loads of asbestos should be unloaded from the vehicle without breaking the plastic sheeting.
- 3.** Asbestos fibres (Friable Asbestos) must be stored in plastic bags with a thickness of at least 0.2mm. Bags must not be higher than 1.2m or wider than 0.9m and must not contain more than 25kg of waste. All bags must be sealed with a cable tie and have a label attached identifying the load as asbestos.
- 4.** Any load of Asbestos or Asbestos contaminated soil that is greater than 100kg or more than 10 square metres **must** be registered with the NSW EPA within 24 hours **after** you have delivered the load. To register the asbestos load, please complete the [disposing of household asbestos](#) form available on the NSW EPA website - [Dealing with household asbestos](#).

**NOTE** More than 10 square metres of bonded asbestos must be removed by a licenced asbestos removal contractor. Any quantities of friable asbestos must also be removed by a licenced asbestos removal contractor.

Each load of Asbestos will be inspected on arrival at the Maitland Resource Recovery Facility.

If the load does not meet these presentation guidelines, staff are required to reject the Load.

Your cooperation in receiving and disposing of asbestos in a safe manner is greatly appreciated.