

## AHRCA MEMBERSHIP PROMOTES CONFIDENCE



AHRCA provides significant benefits to our members. We are synonymous with industry best practice in asbestos and HAZMAT removal. Through our commitment to compliance and our affiliations, AHRCA presents a respected and ethical image to promote confidence in our members as industry leaders. Membership benefits include:

- Alignment with the respected AHRCA brand and our affiliates including the Master Builders Association;
- Representation in government and industry on issues that impact our industry, workers and the community;
- Safety updates and the provision of essential information on Work Health & Safety and regulatory changes;
- A members forum to discuss issues on asbestos and HAZMAT removal or treatment;
- Assistance and support should difficulties arise including access to Industrial Relations advice and advocacy when required;
- Access to legal advice on contracts; and,
- Significant savings on annual business expenses including insurances and vehicles.\*

\*Visit our website for details.

AHRCA NSW membership includes complementary Master Builders Association membership. AHRCA is affiliated with MBA NSW and adheres to the MBA NSW Code of Fair Business Practice and Code of Ethics.



For a list of AHRCA members or for information on how to become a valued member of the AHRCA visit our website [ahrcansw.asn.au](http://ahrcansw.asn.au) or email us at [email@ahrcansw.asn.au](mailto:email@ahrcansw.asn.au)

The AHRCA promotes industry best practice, quality management systems and adherence to government Regulations and Codes of Practice. We deliver excellence in asbestos and HAZMAT removal to benefit the Australian community and Industry.

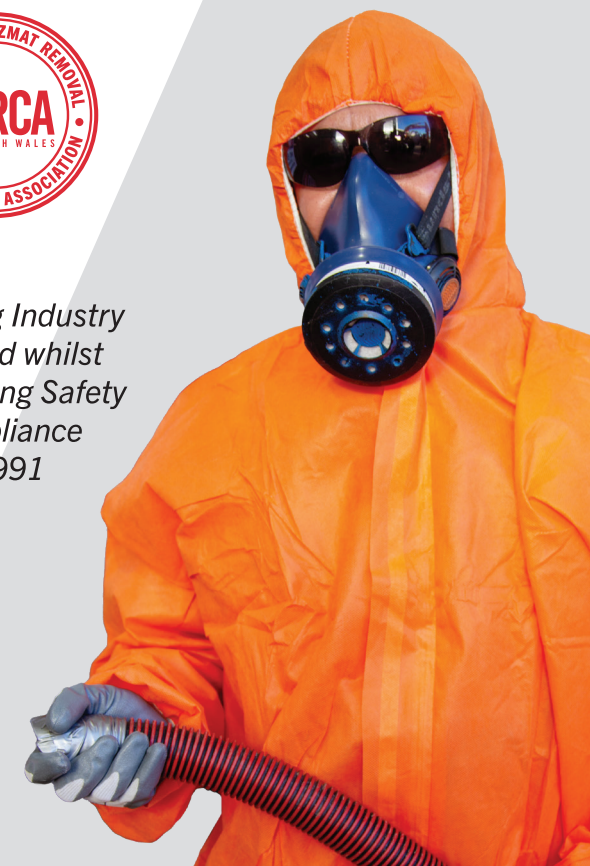


**Master  
Builders  
Association**  
New South Wales

# ASBESTOS & HAZMAT REMOVAL CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION



*Keeping Industry  
informed whilst  
promoting Safety  
& Compliance  
since 1991*



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## INDUSTRY LEADERS



For over 30 years, members of the Asbestos and HAZMAT Removal Contractors Association (AHRCA) have protected Australians and the environment from asbestos and hazardous material risks.

AHRCA represents New South Wales industry leaders from the asbestos abatement industry including asbestos removal contractors, consultants, equipment suppliers, education and training institutions and other industry related organisations.

To ensure the highest quality standards, we promote compliance and ethical best practice in international and Australian Standards, Occupational Health and Safety, and Environmental Management Codes of Practice for asbestos and other materials hazardous to human health.

## COLLABORATION & CONSULTATION

AHRCA collaborates and consults with leading industry and government representatives providing best practice expertise.

With the shared goal of preventing diseases caused from exposure to asbestos fibres and other hazardous materials commonly found in the Australian domestic and commercial construction and demolition industries; AHRCA is closely affiliated with building industry bodies, trades and construction education facilities, government regulators, advocates and health and research organisations to consistently promote improved health and safety for workers and the wider community.

## COMMITMENT TO QUALITY & COMPLIANCE



As the peak industry body for asbestos and HAZMAT removal in Australia, we are committed to ethical best practice and compliance in Safety and Environmental Systems and Work, Health and Safety regulations in the identification, treatment, removal and disposal of asbestos and other hazardous materials including silica, lead, synthetic mineral fibres (SMF), polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB's) and treated timbers.

**AHRCA actively promotes the dangers, risks and safe management of asbestos and HAZMAT products. We raise industry standards and professionalism presenting a responsible and ethical image of our members among clients, industry, government, media and the general public.**



## COMMITMENT TO HEALTH & SAFETY



With over 4,000 Australian lives lost to asbestos-related diseases annually, AHRCA is committed to promoting best practice in safe sampling, containment, management, removal and disposal of asbestos and best practice in the management and removal of other HAZMAT materials.

### ASBESTOS

Asbestos is a naturally-occurring fibrous silicate mineral. Once considered a versatile material because of its ability to withstand heat, erosion and decay, and with fire and water resistant properties; asbestos was used in the manufacture of around 3000 products worldwide, most commonly in the construction, car manufacturing and textile industries. Although asbestos was banned in Australia in 2003, legacy asbestos-containing materials remain in older residential and commercial structures. If disturbed and asbestos fibres could be released into the air and inhaled, asbestos poses a significant health risk to workers and the community.

### HAZMAT

AHRCA members also specialise in the removal of many hazardous materials capable of posing significant health risks if not adequately maintained or disturbed during renovation or demolition. These materials include lead paints used in buildings (typically) prior to 1970; Synthetic Mineral Fibre (SMF) in thermal and acoustic insulation and reinforcing agents; Polychlorinated Biphenyl (PCB); and silica dust, commonly referred to as respirable particles generated in workplaces through mechanical processes involving manufactured stone, concrete and the like.