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BC Worker Asbestos Certification Level 1+2 Course

Pinchin is a WorkSafeBC Approved Training Provider for New Province-Wide Certification Requirement for All Asbestos Workers

Under the new **WorkSafeBC** legislation amendment to the Workers Compensation Act, all asbestos abatement contractors must be licensed to operate in British Columbia, and all workers who perform asbestos abatement work must complete the mandatory safety training and hold a valid certificate. These requirements will come into effect as of January 1, 2024.

Pinchin is offering the following courses:

- [Asbestos Foundational Awareness Training Course \(Level 1\)](#) which will provide students with a gold standard level of training on asbestos materials, health effects, and regulations. It is required for anyone who transports asbestos material or disposes of asbestos waste. Recommended for any worker that would benefit from general asbestos safety knowledge.
- [Asbestos Abatement Safety Training Course \(Level 2\)](#) which will provide a safety-focused, accessible, and hands-on training, for new and experienced workers. The course will include everything required to get you and your workers certified to perform Moderate and High Risk asbestos abatement, including the WorkSafeBC written exam!

What we offer:

- Industry “QP” (Qualified Person) Instructors representing Pinchin’s 40+ years as one of Canada’s largest environmental health and safety consulting firms
- Combination course with Level 1 and Level 2 Trainings
- Option to purchase a half mask respirator
- Practice exams, practical skill development
- Administration of WorkSafeBC written exams for each level
- Option to take pre-requisite courses back to back
- Small class numbers (12 participants for Level 2) with low teacher to student ratio.
- High quality, personalized learning environment.
- Refreshment will be provided.

Course Schedule

Day 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Historical use of asbestos Describe the purpose of abatement, surveying and sampling ✓ Describe health effects ✓ Introduce applicable regulation Workers rights, new worker orientations ✓ Introduce low, moderate and high risk asbestos procedures ✓ Level 1 WSBC-issued Written Exam 		
Day 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Proper use of PPE ✓ Safe Work Procedures and Documents ✓ Construction of an Asbestos Abatement Containment 	Day 3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Site Safety and Risk Identification ✓ Tool operation ✓ Interpreting air monitoring ✓ Safe handling of asbestos 	Day4 (Half Day) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Practical Assessment ✓ Level 2 WSBC-issued Written Exam

Prerequisites and Materials:

- Course will be presented in English; a working command of English is required
- Minimum age is 18 years old
- Bring government-issued photo ID for the certification exams
- All course material, student workbooks, tools and equipment will be provided
- Level 1 is a pre-requisite to Level 2, but may be registered for together
- For Level 2 training, all course participants will require a NIOSH approved personal ½ mask air purifying respirator with P100 cartridges on all course days. option to purchase a half-mask respirator (or use shared class resources)
- For Level 2, come to class clean shaven for proper respirator seal

Course Details

- The Level 1 and 2 combined (3.5 day course) is \$1,200 plus tax.

Pinchin can accommodate date requests for group enrollments. Contact us for group pricing

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Who is required to have abatement certification under the new regulation?

A: Everyone who performs asbestos abatement work, including abatement / restoration / renovation / demolition contractors; trades that offer abatement in addition to their primary service; employees of municipalities, school boards, health authorities, and utilities if performing asbestos abatement work in relation to a building

Q: Can I challenge the WorkSafeBC exam if I have industry experience?

A: Contact WorkSafeBC; you may be able to challenge the exam during the implementation phase, if your employer provides the training curriculum to WorkSafeBC for review. There is no automatic 'grand-fathering' of existing workers.

[Click here to register today.](#)

Contact Pinchin to see how we can assist!

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