



CONTRACTORS STATE LICENSE BOARD LICENSE EXAMINATION STUDY GUIDE



ASBESTOS ABATEMENT (C-22)

Content of the Examination

The Asbestos Abatement (C-22) Examination is divided into five major sections:

1. Planning and Estimating (15%)

- Plans and specifications
- Scope of work and project planning
- Regulatory agency notification
- Estimating materials, labor, equipment, and disposal

2. Containment Site Preparation (26%)

- Area notification
- Containment setup
- Utility isolation
- Negative pressure

3. Asbestos Abatement Methods and Disposal (26%)

- Asbestos removal methods
- Encapsulation and encasement
- Contamination prevention and decontamination procedures
- Asbestos-containing material disposal

4. Documentation (12%)

- Health records
- Site activities
- Cal/OSHA documentation requirements

5. Safety (21%)

- Personnel and job site safety
- Personal protective equipment (PPE)
- Cal/OSHA safety requirements
- Personnel training and certification requirements

Percentages are approximate

Test Policy

This is a closed-book examination. No reference materials may be used during the examination.

Test Strategy

This is a multiple-choice examination with four choices per question. Examination questions are written to provide only one BEST answer. Some questions require mathematical computation. A calculator will be provided.

There is no penalty for guessing. If you are unsure about a particular question, it is better to try to answer the question than to leave the question blank.

Plenty of time is provided to answer all examination questions, so be sure to read each question and its four choices completely and carefully before selecting the BEST possible answer to the question.

Sample Questions

Below are three typical examination questions.
The correct answer is marked with an asterisk (*).

1. Personal air sample results reveal levels exceeding the permissible exposure limit. When must the employer inform the affected employees?
 - a. Within 10 days of receiving the results
 - b. Within 30 days of receiving the results
 - c. As soon as Cal/OSHA has been notified of the results
 - d. As soon as possible after the results have been received*
2. When establishing a regulated work area, where should the decontamination area be located?
 - a. As close to the waste hauling bin as possible
 - b. At the nearest location to the project supervisor's office for oversight
 - c. As close to a water source as possible
 - d. Connected to the work area*
3. What is the square footage of asbestos-containing drywall to be removed from four 8' x 10' walls and two 10' x 10' walls?
 - a. 180 sq. ft.
 - b. 200 sq. ft.
 - c. 320 sq. ft.
 - d. 520 sq. ft.*

All questions are written and reviewed by licensed contractors who are actively working in the trade

Resources

Publisher information for reference books and code is provided below. Other sources for reference books may be found online.

California code books can be viewed online:
www.dgs.ca.gov/bsc

Asbestos-Containing Material in Schools.

Code of Federal Regulations, Title 40, Part 763, Subpart E (AHERA).

PHONE: (202) 564-4700

INTERNET: www.ecfr.gov

California Contractors License Law &

Reference Book. Matthew Bender &

Company, Inc.

PHONE: (800) 223-1940

INTERNET: store.lexisnexis.com

EPA 560/5-85-024 Guidance for Controlling Asbestos Containing Material in Buildings

(Purple Book). U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

PHONE: (202) 564-4700

INTERNET: nepis.epa.gov

Safety and Health Regulations for

Construction. Code of Federal Regulations, Title 29, Part 1926, Subpart Z (Asbestos).

INTERNET: www.ecfr.gov

National Emission Standard for Asbestos.

Code of Federal Regulations, Title 40, Part 61, Subpart M (NESHAP).

PHONE: (202) 564-4700

INTERNET: www.ecfr.gov

State of California General Industry & Electrical Safety Orders (Cal/OSHA) and State of California Construction & Electrical Safety Orders (Cal/OSHA). 2026.

California Code of Regulations, Title 8. Mancomm.

PHONE: (877) 626-2666

INTERNET: www.mancomm.com

VIEW ONLINE:

www.dir.ca.gov/dosh/LawsAndRegulations.htm

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