



RESOURCE SHEET

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Health and Safety at Work (Asbestos) Regulations 2016 – Update

The Health and Safety at Work (Asbestos) Regulations 2016 came into force on 4 April 2016. There were, however, several transitional, savings and related provisions which meant that some provisions did not take effect until 4 April 2018. These are set out in Schedule 1 of the Health and Safety at Work (Asbestos) Regulations 2016:

<http://www.legislation.govt.nz/regulation/public/2016/0015/latest/whole.html#DLM6729279>

In summary, as from 4 April 2018:

- Regulation 13 applies so that an asbestos management plan must be prepared if asbestos or asbestos-containing material is identified at a workplace or is likely to be present at a workplace from time to time.
- Regulation 14 applies which imposes a duty to review and, if necessary, revise an asbestos management plan.
- Part 6 of the Regulations now applies to all licensing of asbestos removalists and asbestos assessors (whereas previously some transitional provisions applied).

Further information can be found on the Employers Assistance Ltd website:

<https://www.employers.co.nz/asbestos-exposure-newsletter-april-2018-newsitem.aspx>.

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