

# Safer places of Worship

## Asbestos

It is possible that some churches may still contain asbestos. It could be anywhere, but it is often found as insulation, lagging, fire protection or in wall and roof linings. It is also found in organ blower motor linings.

You must carry out an assessment and survey to find out if asbestos is present, and record the location and condition of any asbestos. If you are not sure, you must presume that the material is asbestos.

You need to prepare a management plan to ensure the asbestos either remains safely on your premises or can be safely removed.



**Please click below to download the HSE's 'short guide to managing asbestos in premises'.**  
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