

S O P when encountering damaged PACM.

Purpose: To address asbestos material damaged unintentionally during the course of maintenance or renovation work in compliance with Dartmouth College Policy.

Scope: This applies to all Dartmouth College Employees.

Responsibilities: The employee must report the damage to his/her supervisor and warn other employees in the area. The supervisor must contact EHS. EHS will evaluate the incident and determine the appropriate response.

Procedure:

- If an asbestos containing materials is encountered, or a suspect material which has not been sampled is encountered during a work procedure, **work must stop immediately**, any contaminated tools must be left at the site and the area must be evacuated.
- Do not disturb, attempt to clean up, or work in and around damaged PACM.
- Warn other people in the area to stay away from the debris, close and lock doors or otherwise block access to the area and post warning signs.
- Contact the office of Environmental Health & Safety for testing and further action.
- When entering an area, if there is already damaged insulation or other material that is possibly asbestos containing, close and lock doors or otherwise block access to the area and contact the Environmental Health & Safety Office.

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