

# Asbestos Advisory Team

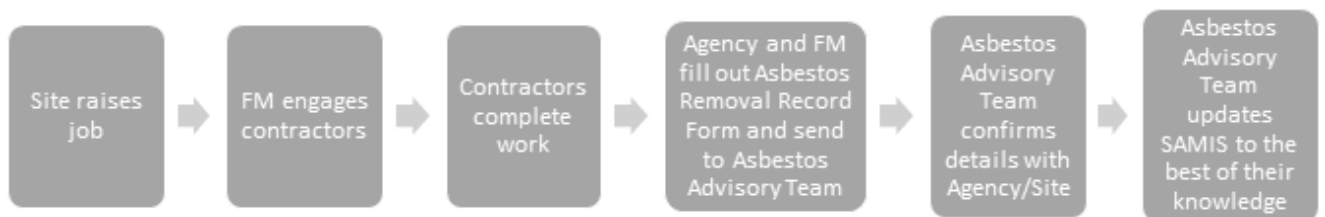
## Asbestos Service Process

The Department for Infrastructure and Transport Asbestos Advisory Team (formerly the Asbestos Management Unit) provides a service to assist intra- and inter-agency partners meet regulatory requirements relating to asbestos management. These regulatory requirements stipulate that it is the legal responsibility of a site/asset owner to maintain an asbestos management plan and register for a site.

**What is changing?** Due to changes in procurement and business function, the DIT Asbestos Advisory Team is streamlining the support it provides agencies.

**What does this mean?** Historically, the DIT Asbestos Advisory Team has assisted by receiving '[Asbestos Removal Record Forms](#)' and updating asbestos registers via the Strategic Asset Management Information System (SAMIS) on behalf of agencies. Going forward, to mitigate the associated risk, contractors who provide a Clearance Certificate for asbestos removal work will be required to update SAMIS (i.e. the Asbestos Advisory Team will no longer process Asbestos Removal Forms).

**The previous process looked like this:**



**Going forward, the process will be more efficient:**



**What you need to know?**

- For asbestos removal work, there must be two contractors – one to undertake the removal (Removal Contractor), and one to undertake air monitoring and provide a Clearance Certificate (Compliance Contractor). NB: The requirement for two contractors has always been the case and has not changed.

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- Prequalified Compliance Contractors who provide Clearance Certificates for asbestos removal work have been trained, by the DIT Asbestos Advisory Team, to update SAMIS.
- SAMIS updates for removal work are required to be made by Compliance Contractors from **1 January 2021**.
- Contractors utilised should be prequalified by DIT. A list of prequalified contractors can be found [here](#).
  - Contractors prequalified for removal work can be found under the 'Demolition and Asbestos Removal' Prequalification for Building Work.
  - Contractors prequalified to provide Clearance Certificates are found under the 'Air monitoring and Compliance Services' Prequalification for Professional and Technical Services.
- When any works associated with asbestos are completed (i.e. sampling, testing, surveys, pre-demolition or pre-refurbishment surveys) the contractor undertaking the work must update SAMIS and the site asbestos register.
- The DIT Asbestos Advisory Team will be supporting Compliance contractors and undertaking audits of works during this transition to ensure quality of work.

***What has not changed?*** The DIT Asbestos Advisory Team will continue to provide assistance and advice, and contract manage inspections on behalf of agencies where required. The team will also continue to administer Treasury's Asbestos Removal Fund.

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