

Special Instruction for Handling Sand containing Asbestos



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Acceptance criteria for Asbestos containing coloured sand products

Following the recall notice from MBIE in November 2025, the following special instructions applies to the receipt of residential material at EcoCentral. Commercial volumes and disposal must continue to go to our EcoDrop facility located: 40 Metro Place Bromley.

The coloured sand products identified are:

- EC Rainbow Sand (1.3kg) – previously recalled
- Creatistics Coloured Sand (1kg) – previously recalled
- Four magic sand products sold at Kmart NZ:
 - 14-piece Sand Castle Building Set (Batch no: 42975724)
 - Blue Magic Sand (Batch no: 42304364)
 - Green Magic Sand (Batch no: 432919650)
 - Pink Magic Sand (Batch no: 42304371)

Asbestos that is not wrapped as per the instructions below will not be accepted due to the risk it poses to our employees and general public.

Acceptable Wrapping Method - Bagged

Asbestos waste must be contained in new and heavy duty 200µm (minimum thickness) polythene bags.

All asbestos is to be double bagged and be closed with a goose tie. It is acceptable to use a zippered bag as the outer layer if the zippered bag is specifically sold for the disposal of asbestos.

The bags should be no more than ½ full to reduce the risk of bags tearing or splitting. Mark bags clearly 'Caution Asbestos – Do not open or damage bag. Do not inhale dust'.

Please see page 2 for instruction to access the appropriate bags.

Safe Handling of Asbestos

We encourage the disposal and handling of asbestos only to be carried out by qualified and reputable contractors and people.

Further guidance can be found on WorkSafe website:

<https://www.worksafe.govt.nz/topic-and-industry/asbestos/asbestos-in-the-home/>

Guidelines for using asbestos disposal bags:

- Wear appropriate protective gear
- Always wet (dampen) asbestos debris before placing into bag to reduce fibre release
- Carefully place asbestos waste into the bag; leave space to handle and seal properly
- Seal with a “gooseneck” tie and appropriate tape or cable tie
- Double-bagging is recommended per WorkSafe NZ guidelines
- Clean outer surface of bag before transporting out of controlled area
- Dispose at an approved asbestos landfill or facility



Disposal of correctly wrapped asbestos containing coloured sand at EcoDrop Resource Recovery Centres (RRC)

- Collect asbestos disposal bags from. Limit of two bags per residential customers.
- Fill asbestos disposal bags as per above instructions, ensuring the items are double bagged and securely sealed. Please do not do that at our site.
- Drop off at any the three Resource Recovery Centres between 7am and 4.30pm
 - Parkhouse EcoDrop (25 Parkhouse Rd, Sockburn)
 - Styx Mill EcoDrop (76 Styx Mill Rd, Redwood)
 - Metro EcoDrop (40 Metro Pl, Bromley)
- Provide the address the material has come from to one of our team.
- Place the material in the marked container.