An asbestos inspection is required when certain types of buildings are being renovated, gutted or demolished. If that requirement is not met, all debris resulting from the demolition will be classified as asbestos and will have to be disposed of in a manner compliant with federal rules regulating the handling of asbestos bearing materials.

- A thorough asbestos inspection is required any time a building comprising more than four dwelling units is being renovated, gutted or demolished.

- A thorough asbestos inspection is required any time a public building, school building (private or public), commercial building or industrial building is being renovated, gutted or demolished.

This rule applies if the building has ever been used as an institutional, commercial, public or industrial structure or is being converted to an institutional, commercial or public structure.

- A thorough asbestos inspection is required any time a building that is part of an installation is being renovated, gutted or demolished. An installation would be any building or structure or group of buildings or structures at a single building or renovation site that is part of a planned project that is under the control of the same owner or operator.

The asbestos regulations can be found in LAC 33:111 chapter 51.

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