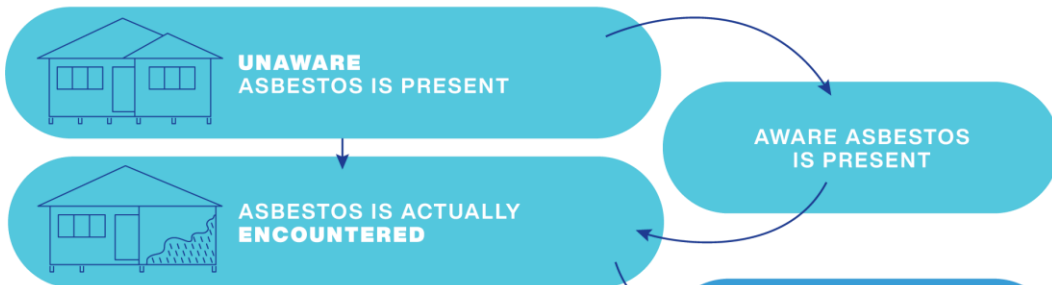




## FACTSHEET 2: Understanding the asbestos waste journey

### AWARENESS RISK ZONE



Risk of exposure to asbestos fibres if ACMs are accidentally disturbed. Absence of planning in this zone leads to significant risks in later zones.

### REMOVAL RISK ZONE



High risk of exposure to asbestos fibres as ACMs are removed and prepared for disposal.

### DISPOSAL RISK ZONE



High risk of exposure to asbestos fibres for workers cleaning up illegally disposed of ACMs, or receiving poorly handled and packaged ACMs.



### Key message

What happens upstream in the journey (awareness zone) has downstream impacts on how ACMs are disposed of (disposal zone). Councils could benefit from taking action in the awareness zone to prevent illegal disposal of asbestos happening in the first place.



### What should councils do?

Councils should consider the characteristics of their local community to determine who:

- is likely to disturb ACMs
- is least aware of the likelihood of doing so
- has the poorest understanding of what actions to take if they do encounter ACMs.



### Who should councils target?

- homeowners • tradespeople • designers • architects • builders •

These groups can all ensure asbestos removal and disposal costs are considered upfront or factored in as a contingency.



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