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## Information about submissions:

Please send your submission (or any questions) to [engage@asbestossafety.gov.au](mailto:engage@asbestossafety.gov.au)

Consultation closes on **Friday 25 October 2024**. We will acknowledge receipt of all submissions received.

Please note that your submission may be published on our website. If you would like your submission to be excluded from publishing, or to be published anonymously, please indicate this below:

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other, please advise

## Your role or interest in relation to asbestos surveys

Please indicate your role or interest in relation to asbestos surveys to help the Asbestos and Silica Safety and Eradication Agency (ASSEA) contextualise your feedback:

I conduct asbestos surveys/inspections/audits

I own/manage a building that contains asbestos

I am responsible for preparing and updating asbestos registers and management plans

I am a demolition or asbestos removal contractor

I hire people to conduct asbestos surveys/inspections/audits

I carry out work in a building(s) that may contain asbestos

I work for a regulator

I work in local government

I represent an industry association

I represent a trade union

I design/develop/promote software for asbestos registers and risk management systems

other, please advise

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## Guiding questions:

### Target audiences

1. While the *National Guide for Asbestos Surveys* (the Guide) is mainly designed to be a practical resource for surveyors, it also provides important information for their clients and anyone with responsibilities for managing in-situ asbestos, including in residential premises.

Does the draft Guide provide the right level of practical guidance and advice for all parties involved in asbestos surveys? If not, what improvements are needed?

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### Purpose

1. How useful will the Guide be in providing a nationally consistent, best practice process for conducting asbestos surveys in Australia?

### Content

1. Please provide any comments on the content of the draft Guide.

### Assessing the risk of asbestos containing material (ACM)

1. The 4-factor ACM risk assessment process recommended in the draft Guide reflects the evidence-based model developed and used by the Victorian Asbestos Eradication Agency. It is supported with an [ACM Risk Calculator](https://vaea.my.site.com/ram/). Please provide any feedback on use of the ACM risk assessment tool if you have trialled or applied it as part of a survey.

### Accessibility, format and promotion

1. Do you have any suggestions on how ASSEA could most effectively promote this Guide to ensure it is used widely for asbestos surveys?

### Asbestos Product Guide

1. The draft Guide references and provides links to ASSEA’s web-based [***Asbestos Product Guide***](https://www.products.asbestossafety.gov.au/)which provides images and descriptions of various types of asbestos materials that were manufactured and/or marketed and used in Australia. Is the Asbestos Product Guide a user-friendly and useful resource for conducting asbestos surveys? Are any improvements needed?
2. ASSEA will keep updating the Asbestos Product Guide website as more images and information become available. Please indicate if you can contribute additional images and/or information about ACMs.

### Other comments

1. Are there any other comments you would like to make in relation to asbestos surveys?