



Home Improvement

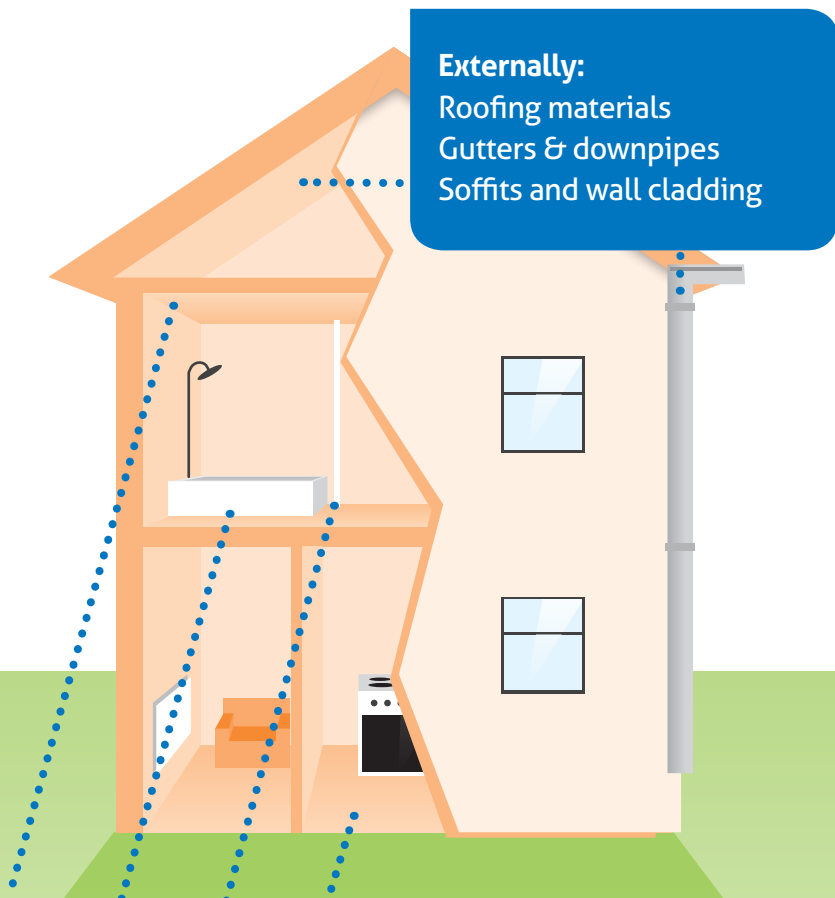
Asbestos



Essential information about
asbestos in your home



Asbestos was used in many common building materials before 1999 when it was banned. The main places where asbestos can be found are shown below:



Externally:
Roofing materials
Gutters & downpipes
Soffits and wall cladding

Internally:
Artex on ceilings
Gaskets & seals on boilers
Panels on airing cupboards
Pipe boxing
Bath panels
Water tanks
Floor tiles

When completing a full asbestos survey of your home, access is needed to all your rooms and cupboards. If there are lots of items stored you will need to move them so that the surveyor has access to the:

- Floor
- Airing cupboards
- Walls
- Built in storage cupboards
- Ceiling

Please ensure that loft space is clear. Loft spaces are only for repair and maintenance and items should not be stored in the roof space.

If you have a laminate or ceramic floor we may need to remove a small section to survey the floor underneath.

We may also need to remove the bath panel but any damage caused doing so will be rectified when completing any planned works.

The asbestos surveyor will wear protective clothing when completing the survey and will ask you to vacate the area he is surveying. Photographs will be taken of the surveyed areas and any areas needing repair as a result of the survey will be completed at the time of the works.

Damaged Asbestos

If you are concerned about damage to an area that you believe may contain asbestos, don't panic. Leave the material alone, do not vacuum or sweep, leave the affected area and close the door. Contact us immediately on **01271 312500**.

Please remember that:

- **Asbestos is perfectly safe as long as it is not damaged or disturbed**
- **No work will be started until an asbestos survey has been completed**

If you have any questions or need any further information,
please contact the Planned Maintenance Team on 01271 312500.



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