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**NOTICE OF PREVAILING WAGE CLASSIFICATION:**

**ASBESTOS WORKER (PIPES AND TANKS)  
LABORER HAZARDOUS WASTE/ASBESTOS REMOVER**

Please note that, for the purposes of c. 149, Sections 26 and 27, which comprise the Massachusetts Prevailing Wage law for public works projects performed within the Commonwealth, the following job classifications are applicable for asbestos removal:

“Asbestos Worker (Pipes and Tanks)” is the proper classification for the removal of asbestos on piping, fittings, valves, boilers, ducts, flues, tanks, vats, equipment for the purposes of thermal control, including HVAC systems, except in instances where the piping, fittings, valves, boilers, ducts, flues, tanks, vats, equipment for the purposes of thermal controls, are being demolished, in which case the applicable wage rate would be that of a “Laborer Hazardous Waste/Asbestos Remover.”

“Laborer Hazardous Waste/Asbestos Remover” is the proper classification for the removal of asbestos from the structural part of a building including all asbestos removal on piping, fittings, valves, boilers, ducts, flues, tanks, vats, equipment for the purposes of thermal controls (including HVAC systems) when such equipment or systems will be demolished.