Managing Asbestos-Containing Material Received at Household Hazardous Waste Collection Events

A Summary of Regulatory Requirements for Event Sponsors

- Announcements/communications of Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) collection events should note that asbestos containing materials (ACM) or asbestos containing waste material (ACWM) will not be accepted.

- If a resident brings ACM or ACWM to your collection event, and your hazardous waste service provider takes control of the material, the following requirements will apply:
  - The ACWM needs to be kept adequately wet, containerized, sealed in leak-tight containers and labeled in accordance with the ACWM packaging requirements [310 CMR 7.15 (15)]
  - The ACWM must be transported to the proper storage or disposal facility in totally enclosed vehicles or containers that are designed, constructed and operated to prevent spills, leaks or emissions, and in conformance with U. S. Department of Transportation (DOT), U. S. Occupational Safety & Health Administration (OSHA) and state/local regulations, per the ACWM transport requirements [310 CMR 7.15 (16)]
  - The ACWM must be properly disposed at an approved facility in accordance with the ACWM storage and disposal requirements [310 CMR 7.15 (17)], which means that ACWM can only be disposed at a Massachusetts solid waste facility that holds a “Special Waste” permit to accept ACWM or at a facility in another state that has been approved to accept ACWM by the applicable state environmental agency.
  - The ACWM shipment must be documented with a Waste Shipment Record form [310 CMR 7.15 (18)]


- For asbestos management questions specific to any particular HHW collection day event, contact the asbestos program lead in the MassDEP Regional Office that covers the municipality holding an HHW collection event. Find Your Region: [http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/massdep/about/contacts/find-the-massdep-regional-office-for-your-city-or-town.html](http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/massdep/about/contacts/find-the-massdep-regional-office-for-your-city-or-town.html)