

# ASBESTOS

## (Stripping Wax From Floor Tile That May Contain Asbestos)

### POSSIBLE AREAS OF CONCERN

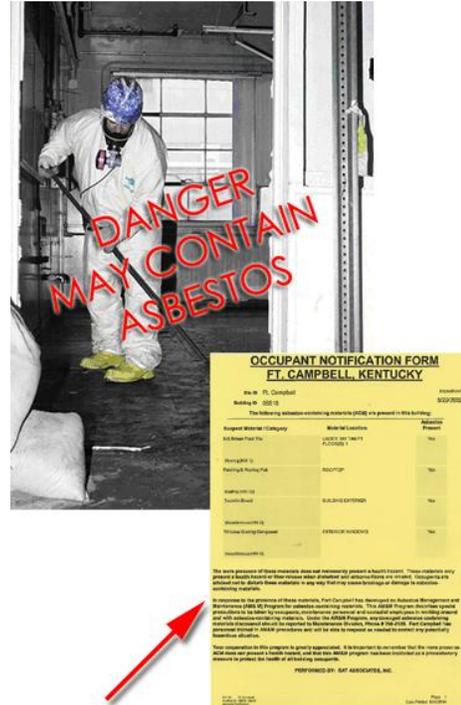
Asbestos may be found on any building on the installation. There may be increased health risks associated with not following the recommended handling procedures.

### CHARACTERIZATION

The Environmental Division has surveyed installation buildings to identify those tiles that contain asbestos. Determine if the floor tile contains asbestos by checking the Building Occupant Notification Form (BONF), or contact **DPW Work Management Branch or Environmental Division TSCA**

### HANDLING PROCEDURES

- Step 1** Strip wax as little as possible, once or twice a year.
- Step 2** Keep floor tile wet during stripping of wax.
- Step 3** Use slow buffer speed (less than or = 300 RPM).
- Step 4** Use the least abrasive pad possible.
- Step 5** Do not over strip.



**Always refer to your BONF before beginning work**

### GENERAL INFORMATION

If asbestos-containing floor tile is in good condition, floors may be stripped of wax. If the asbestos-containing floor tile is not in good condition, i.e., broken or badly worn, then floors should not be stripped. For additional information see *protocol sheet A-9* or contact **Environmental Division TSCA**