

Title	Asbestos Collection and Transport
Test Explanation:	Exposure to asbestos increases your risk of developing lung disease. That risk is made worse by smoking. The greater the exposure to asbestos, the greater the chance of developing harmful health effects. Disease symptoms may take many years to develop following exposure. Three of the major health effects associated with asbestos exposure are: 1) lung cancer, 2) mesothelioma, a rare form of cancer that is found in the thin lining of the lung, chest and the abdomen and heart, and 3) asbestosis, a serious progressive, long-term, non-cancer disease of the lungs.
Specimen Requirements	Samples for Asbestos analysis will only be accepted from the Indiana State Department of Health Indoor Air Division, State government agencies or from a County Health Department. Solid material such as building materials, insulation, pipe wrap, ceiling tile, floor tile, may be submitted. Contact: Bharat Patel Phone: 317-921-5586 Email: Bpatel@isdh.in.gov
Sampling Materials	Submit samples in re-sealable plastic bags.
Procedural Notes	Samples should be in sealed, double plastic bags and submitted through the appropriate government agency. Label the plastic bag with the name of the location where the sample was taken, the name of person or health department that took the sample and what the sample is (i.e. pipe wrap). If more than one sample is collected be sure to number each bag. Include a completed sample submission form when submitting samples.
Shipping Instructions	Place bag(s) containing sample(s) in an appropriate shipping container and ship to: Indiana State Department of Health Laboratories Chemistry Laboratories 550 W. 16th Street, Suite B Indianapolis, IN 46202
Reporting and TAT	The report will be emailed/faxed or mailed within 30 days after receiving the sample.