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# **Demolition/Removal Permit**

### **Demolition of a Building**

A miscellaneous building permit is required for demolishing a building from a site.

Additionally, a Demolition Inspection Permit is required from the Colorado State Health Department to check for asbestos. Visit <u>www.colorado.gov/pacific/cdphe/asbestos-general-</u> <u>information</u> or call the Asbestos Compliance Assistance Group at 303-692-3100.

Demolition can also create hazardous lead dust and chips if the structure was built or painted prior to 1978. Contact the National Lead Information Center at 1-800-424-LEAD (5323) for more information.

\*Please consult with County Engineering and Planning prior to obtaining a demolition permit. Demolition of a structure may negate any potential non-conforming status and cause the owner to lose the right to rebuild. In a floodplain, rebuilding may be prohibited or subject to additional costs and restrictions to meet floodplain requirements.

## Moving a Building

A miscellaneous building permit is also required for moving a building off of a site. A building permit will be required for the new location as well.

Furthermore, if a building is being moved from a property an additional form provided by the Assessor's office is required. The form will need to provide the old address and the new address where the building will be moved. A staff member from the Planning Department and the Building Department must sign the form also.

Visit <u>www.larimer.org/assessor/mobilehomes.htm</u> or call 970-498-7050 for more information.



## Why is a permit required?

A permit is necessary:

- to assure that the building does not contain asbestos
- to assure that utilities are disconnected and capped properly
- to assure the census is properly tabulated and establish a record for property rights of the parcel

#### What is Asbestos?

Asbestos is the name given to a number of naturally occurring minerals that have been mined for their useful properties. It is commonly used and found in ceiling textures, vinyl floor coverings, boiler and pipe insulation, heating and cooling duct insulation, roofing products, thermal insulation, and other building materials.

Asbestos is made up of microscopic bundles of fibers that may become airborne when disturbed. These fibers get into the air and may become inhaled into the lungs, where they may cause significant health problems.

If you demolish or move a building, you are subject to State and Federal Regulations even when there is *no* asbestos in the facility.

Buildings of *any* age may contain asbestos; even those newly built.