COMPLIANCE SECTION ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH BRANCH DSHS ASBESTOS PROGRAM

FISCAL YEARS 2022 - 2025 ANNUAL ANALYSIS FINAL ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS

Pursuant to 25 Texas Administrative Code Chapter 296



Asbestos Program Description & Mission

The Asbestos Program provides direct services to prevent occupational and environmental diseases through identification, evaluation, and control of asbestos health hazards. Asbestos is present in over half of our public buildings and is of particular concern when it is present in schools. The Asbestos Program has regional inspectors available to monitor asbestos removal in buildings, and to respond to community concerns to ensure that public exposure is minimized.

The mission of the Asbestos Program is to protect and promote the physical and environmental health of the people of Texas from asbestos. We strive to prevent unnecessary exposure of the public to asbestos in workplaces and buildings and to assure proper disposal of asbestos. Through our Outreach Program, we educate the public to gain voluntary compliance with state and federal asbestos law. We carry out our mission efficiently, effectively, fairly, and professionally with respect and dedication to all Texans.

ASBESTOS ACTIVE LICENSE SUMMARY

FY 2025 - 6,043

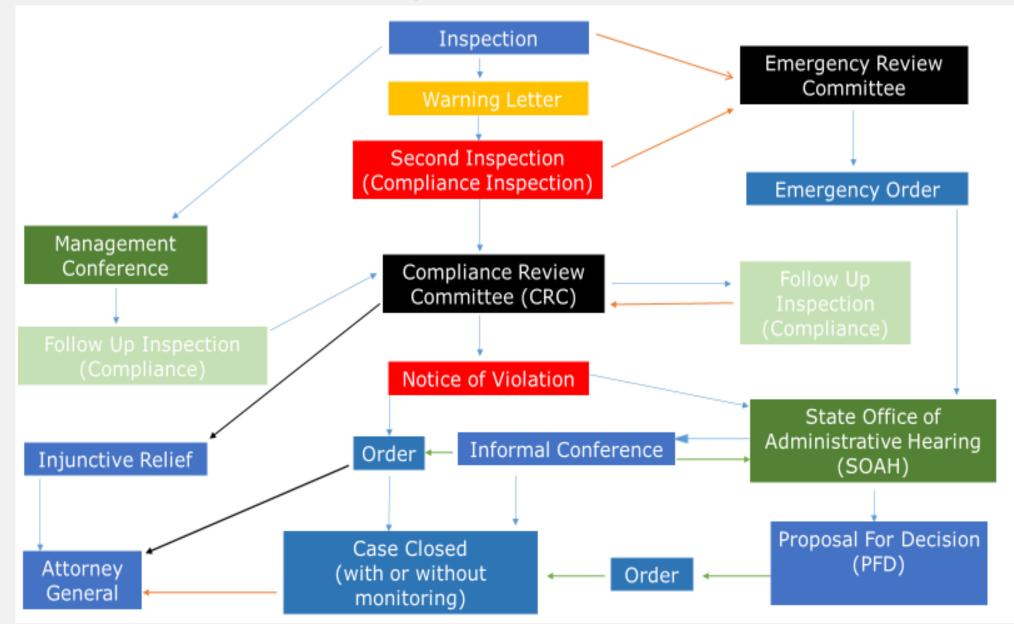
FY 2024 - 6,023

FY 2023 - 6,085

Fy 2022 - 6,071



Asbestos Compliance Flowchart





Cases Referred to Compliance for Enforcement Action

FY 2025 – 1,944

FY 2024 – 1,976

FY 2023 – 1,845

FY 2022 – 1,383



Notices of Violation (Notices) Issued by Compliance

FY2025 – 1,552

FY 2024 – 1,586

FY 2023 – 1,281

FY 2022 – 1,149



Informal Conferences (ICs) held by Compliance

FY2025 - 120

FY 2024 – 158

FY 2023 – 98

FY 2022 - 147



State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH)

SOAH (formal) hearings requested:

FY 2025 – 2 FY 2024 – 5

FY 2023 – 2 FY 2022 – 16

SOAH (formal) hearings held:

FY 2025Y - 1 FY2 024 - 0

FY 2023 – 2 FY 2022 – 0

All Respondents were offered the opportunity to have their case(s) presented before an Administrative Law Judge.

Case Closures

Orders

Withdrawn

FY 2025 - 642 FY 2025 -	5 - 64
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Cases Closed

Cases with final Order are either:

- closed with monitoring (terms and conditions to be met are still pending)
 - closed without monitoring
 (all terms and conditions are met)

Case Closures

Cases Closed with Monitoring at the end of each fiscal year:

FY 2025 - 11

FY 2024 – 9

FY 2023 - 13

FY 2022 - 10

Grand Total Penalty Amount Assessed

FY 2025 - \$102,335.00

FY 2024 - \$88,800.00

FY 2023 - \$110,875.00

FY 2022 – \$123,450.00



Attorney General (AG) Referrals

• Cases referred to the AG for further administrative and/or judicial remedies on Respondents who failed to and/or refuse to comply with a final order:

FY 2025 - 1

FY 2024 – 1

FY 2023 - 1

FY 2022 - 3

For more information regarding Asbestos Group policies and protocols, please click on the link below:

https://dshs.texas.gov/asbestos