



How to use the Asbestos Product Guide

The **Asbestos Product Guide** (the Guide) has been developed by ASSEA to provide a visual reference for various types of asbestos containing materials (ACMs) that can still be found in Australia. The guide contains information and images about ACMs in both residential and industrial settings.

This document provides guidance on how to:

- [navigate the home page](#)
- [understand the structure of the Guide](#)
- [search for products](#)
- [view the information pages](#)
- [access embedded links](#)
- [understanding product brand names in the Guide.](#)

Accessing the Guide

The Guide can be accessed [here](#).

Home page

The home page displays information about the Guide, with links to:

- categories of products and images
- attribution information about the images used in the Guide
- information about how asbestos products in Australia are ageing and becoming increasingly hazardous
- a brief history of asbestos product manufacturing in Australia, including manufacturers and brands, what they made and how they were used.

How the Guide is structured

The Guide is tiered into categories, each with specific product information pages. The first and largest information holding: *Building structures & components*, also contains related sub-categories that will lead you to the relevant product information pages.

The other five categories will display the final tier of thumbnails for information pages.

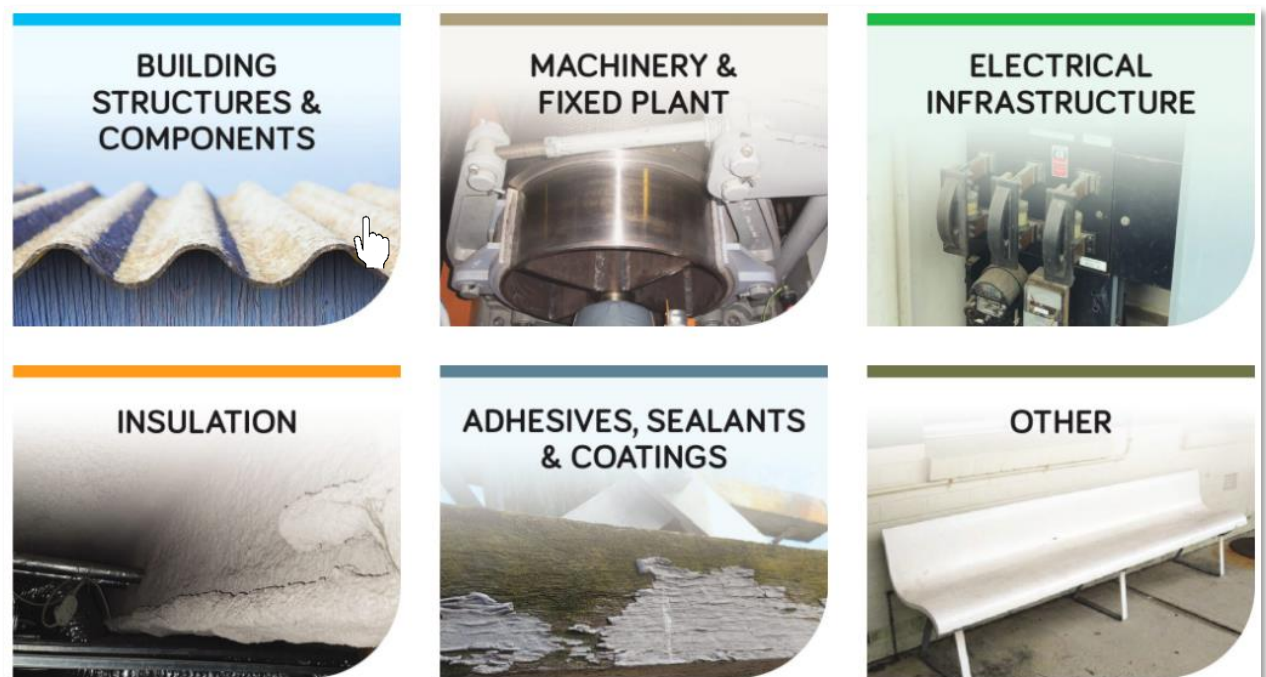
Searching for product

There are multiple ways that you can search for products in the Guide.

1. Thumbnail search

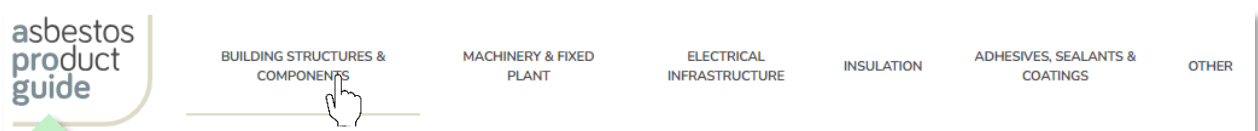
The Guide has six principal categories covering asbestos products in Australia. Each is colour coded, which remains consistent throughout the category of information.

Each category can be accessed by clicking on one of the main thumbnail images on the home page that you want to search.



2. Text category search

Categories are also accessible by clicking on one of the text links at the top of the home page,



Note: Clicking on the Guide's logo, at top left, will return you to the Home page from wherever you are in the Guide.

Once you are in the category, click on the relevant sub-category, or if no sub category, click on the desired product information page thumbnail.

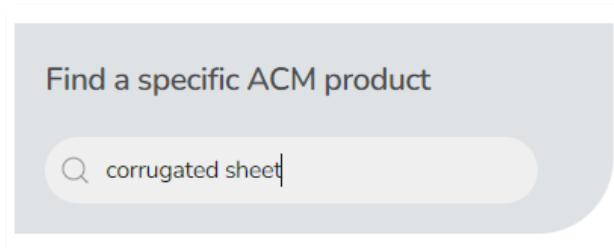
Building structures & components



3. Key word search

If you know what the product description is, you can use the search field on the home page to type in your key words.

For example, type in the desired key words, or partial words. Then, with your cursor still in the search field, hit the *Enter* key.



The results provided for a key word search are based on wherever those words are recorded in the Guide. This will capture headings, image labels and text within an information page.

Search Results for: corrugated sheet

Q corrugated sheet



Corrugated asbestos cement sheeting – external walling

Description Walls of moulded cement sheeting which has been shaped into a series of parallel ridges for added rigidity and strength. May be painted. As

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Corrugated asbestos cement sheeting – roofs

Description Moulded cement sheeting which has been shaped into a series of parallel ridges for added rigidity and strength. May be painted. Some were coloured.

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Asbestos cement flat sheeting – ad hoc uses

Description Adapted uses for AC sheeting – usually a DIY approach to measures that can be fulfilled by other materials. Years of production/use Ongoing legacy

SEE MORE



A nil-result on your key word search will be indicated.

For example, a search for the word: 'nothing'

Search Results for: nothing

Q nothing

No results found. Try another search term or explore the categories using the menu above.

Information pages

The product information page will display a range of details. The same categories are addressed for each product, where known, throughout the Guide. Some information pages will display more images than others, and some will display more technical information than others.

Home / Building structures & components / Roofing / Corrugated asbestos cement sheeting – roofs

Corrugated asbestos cement sheeting – roofs

DESCRIPTION

Moulded cement sheeting which has been shaped into a series of parallel ridges for added rigidity and strength.

May be painted. Some were coloured red/brown (Tasbestos Trojan Tile – about 1m length sheet).

Average asbestos content was around 15%.

Installed on pitched, single sloping, valleyed and sawtooth roof designs.

See [fixings](#) information page for further about use of bitumen washers/compounds.

YEARS OF PRODUCTION/USE

Prior to 1990

RESIDENTIAL USES

- Houses
- Garages, sheds and external toilet buildings, some without roof gutters

BRANDS/PRODUCTS

- Asbestolite
- Correbestos
- Durabestos
- Fibrock
- Fibrolite
- Fibrobestos
- Super-Six
- Standard
- Tasbestos
- Trojan tiles
- Master Seven (M7)
- Deep six
- Big Six

INDUSTRIAL USES

- Pitched, flat or saw tooth roofs
- Foundries, factories, warehouses, substations, workshops, Government buildings and others

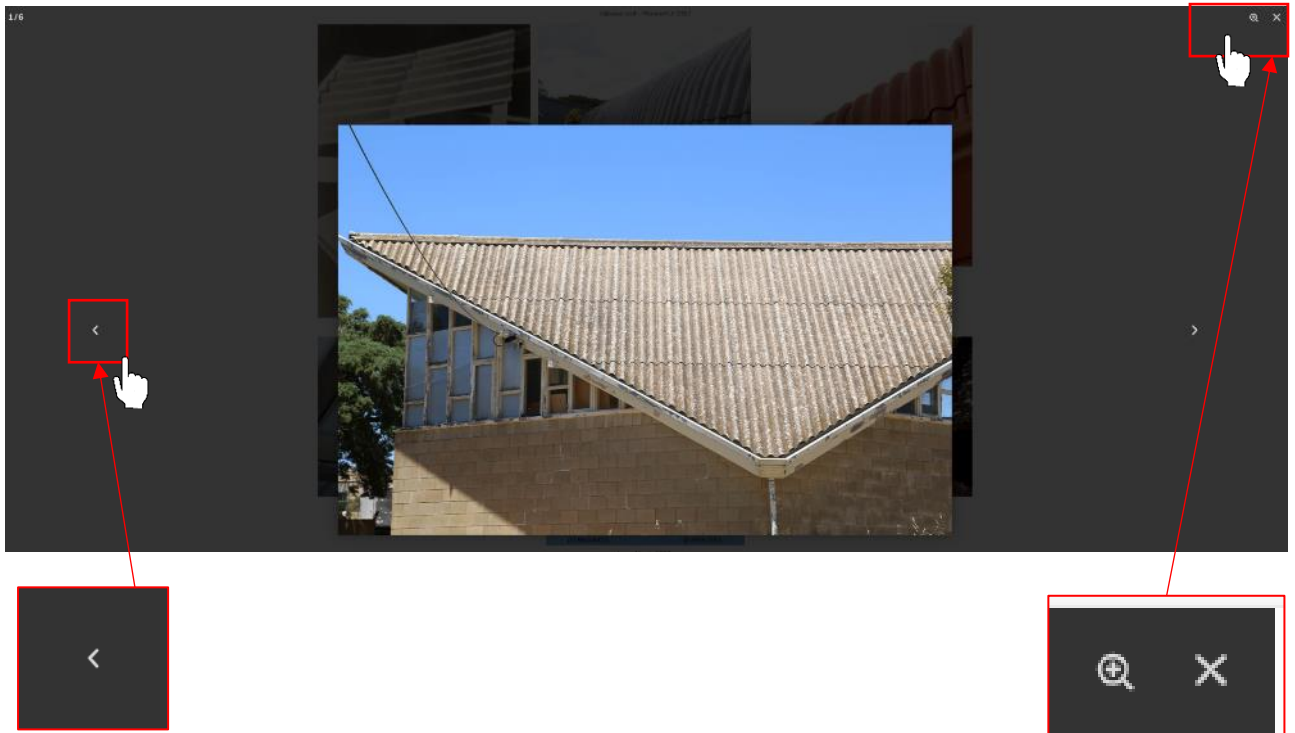


BE AWARE

Roof guttering and pipework will likely accumulate asbestos debris and dust.

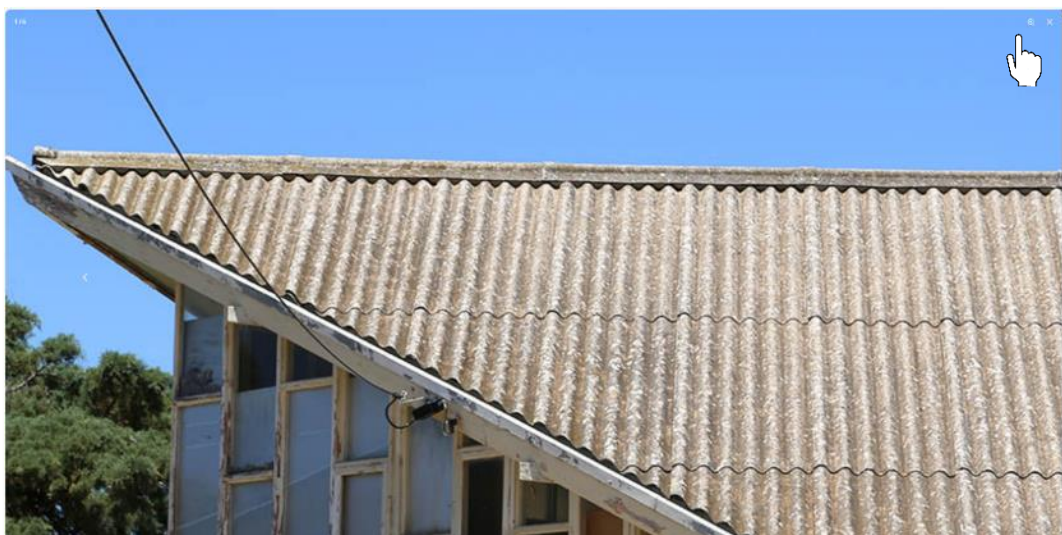
Viewing the images separately

Each image is interactive, to enable a closer view of the product. Click on an image and it will display in isolation.



Using the left and right arrow buttons allows you to scroll through the separate images on the information page.

To enlarge an image, double click on the image or the magnifier in the top right.



You can then click and drag on the image to move it around and view any particular part of that image.

To close the image and return to the information page, hit the *escape* key, or click on the close button next to the magnifier.

You can exit to one of the previous tiers using the breadcrumb trail above the information page heading.

Home / Building structures & components / Roofing / Corrugated asbestos cement sheeting – roofs


Corrugated asbestos cement sheeting – roofs

Embedded links

Some information pages have links to other information pages with related information, that may be of use to your search. This is indicated by the hyperlinked blue coloured text.

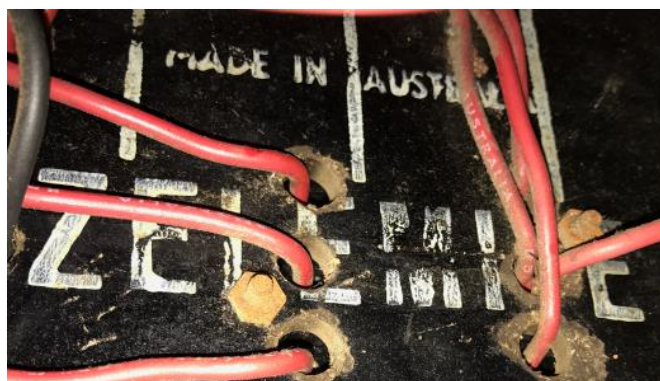
Corrugated asbestos cement sheeting – roofs

DESCRIPTION	BRANDS/PRODUCTS
<p>Moulded cement sheeting which has been shaped into a series of parallel ridges for added rigidity and strength.</p> <p>May be painted. Some were coloured red/brown (Tasbestos Trojan Tile – about 1m length sheet).</p> <p>Average asbestos content was around 15%.</p> <p>Installed on pitched, single sloping, valleyed and sawtooth roof designs.</p> <p>See fixings information page for further about use of bitumen washers/compounds.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Asbestolite• Corbestos• Durabestos• Fibrock• Fibrolite• Fibrobestos• Super-Six• Standard• Tasbestos• Trojan tiles• Master Seven (M7)• Deep six• Big Six
YEARS OF PRODUCTION/USE	
<p>Prior to 1990</p>	

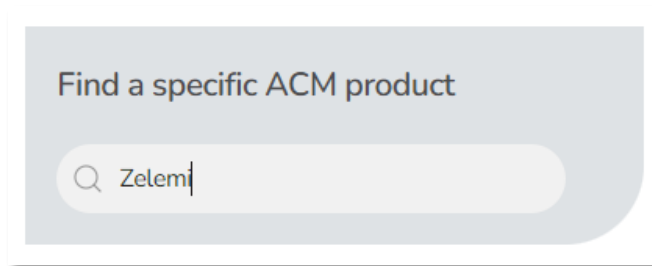


Scenario: Located a brand name on a structural item but are unsure if it is ACM?

The brand names in the Guide can be used a source of information to assist in identifying whether a brand stamp you may have found on a product suggests it might contain asbestos.



Using the Home page key word search, type in the brand word, or partial word.




In this case, two information pages match the search.

Home / You searched for Zelemi

Search Results for: Zelemi


Q Zelemi



Arc shields and chute covers

Description Shields to prevent electrical arc flashes occurring between conductive points on equipment. Often high density AC. May have been manufactured by electrical components factory.

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Electrical fuse/meter board backing

Description Older electrical switchboard mounting panels and meter panels manufactured from an asbestos/resin or asbestos/coal tar pitch composite. The panels are usually a dark brown

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The first occurs within one of the images – Brand: ZELEMITE



The second occurs within the listed brand names on the information page.

Home / Electrical Infrastructure / Electrical fuse/meter board backing

Electrical fuse/meter board backing

DESCRIPTION	BRANDS/PRODUCTS
<p>Older electrical switchboard mounting panels and meter panels manufactured from an asbestos/resin or asbestos/coal tar pitch composite.</p> <p>The panels are usually a dark brown or black colour, have a rough fibrous or wood like surface finish and may have a strong tar smell.</p> <p>Hardie's marketed a product named Dilex from 1933 as ebonised asbestos insulating board. In the 1950s New Dilex was introduced and advertised as unpolished, matte or polished.</p> <p>Some may also be lined with AC sheeting.</p> <p>Brand names may appear on rear of panel.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lebah• Zelemite• MiscoLite• Ausbestos• New Dilex• Dilex
	YEARS OF PRODUCTION/USE
	Most installed prior to 1990



Do not solely rely on the Guide as confirmation of asbestos content at a site.

The brand names of some ACM products originally released into the Australian market were retained by the manufacturers after they stopped using asbestos and introduced cellulose or other non-asbestos raw materials into their production. For example, Hardiflex and Villaboard.

The Guide is designed to assist, not replace, professional identification of ACMs through sampling and testing. An asbestos professional needs to be consulted to confirm the presence of asbestos.

For assistance, refer to: www.asbestossafety.gov.au/find-out-about-asbestos