



Warning

Important Information Regarding Potential Asbestos and Lead Paint in Homes managed by Many Rivers

As part of our ongoing commitment to providing a safe and healthy living environment for all our tenants, we wish to inform you that a significant number of properties managed by Many Rivers on behalf of various owner groups across NSW, including the Aboriginal Housing Office (AHO) and local Aboriginal Land Councils (LALCs), may contain materials that could present potential health risks, specifically **asbestos** and **lead-based paint**.

This may include your home as these materials were commonly used in buildings constructed prior to the 1980s. While these materials are generally safe when undisturbed, it is important to be aware of how to manage them to avoid any health hazards.

Asbestos

Asbestos was commonly used in building materials such as insulation, roofing, flooring, and wall cladding.

When disturbed (e.g., through property damage, renovations, drilling, or sanding), asbestos fibres can be released into the air and inhaled, which may lead to serious health conditions such as asbestosis, lung cancer, and mesothelioma.

To live safely with asbestos:

- **Do not disturb any materials** that you suspect may contain asbestos (e.g., floor tiles, insulation, or roof sheeting).
- **Do not drill, sand, or cut** materials that might contain asbestos.
- **Do not make any alterations to your property**, contact us if your property requires maintenance so that we can arrange for professional repairs and safe handling of any asbestos-containing materials.
- **If you notice any damage** (such as cracking or deterioration) **to materials in your home** that might contain asbestos, please **notify us immediately** so we can address the situation promptly.



Areas within your home which may contain Asbestos

Lead Paint

Lead-based paints were commonly used in homes built before 1970. Lead exposure can be particularly harmful to young children and pregnant women, potentially causing developmental delays and other serious health issues.

To live safely with lead paint:

- **Do not attempt to scrape, sand, or remove any painted surfaces** yourself. Disturbing lead-based paint can release dangerous dust or chips.
- **Keep children away from areas with peeling or chipped paint** to reduce the risk of exposure.
- **If you notice peeling or chipping paint** (e.g., image below), please **notify us immediately** so that appropriate steps can be taken to repair and safely manage the situation.
- **Clean up dust** around your home regularly with a damp cloth or mop to reduce the risk of exposure.



What We Are Doing

Many Rivers are committed to ensuring the health and safety of all our tenants. If you would like additional information or if you have concerns regarding potential asbestos or lead paint in your home, please don't hesitate to reach out to us.

Your safety is our priority. We appreciate your cooperation in helping us maintain a safe and healthy living environment for everyone.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us at 02 6562 2576 or reception@mrrahms.com.au