

ELLSWORTH AIR FORCE BASE
Disclosure of Information on Asbestos and Lead-Based Paint

Per Air Force Instruction 32-6001, *Family Housing Management*, paragraph 2.29, the Commander must disclose the possible presence of Environmental Hazards. Family Housing Residents must also receive pamphlet providing information on asbestos and lead-based paint.

ASBESTOS

Housing units constructed during any time period may have asbestos containing materials even though the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency banned its use in insulation after 1950 and from textured paints in 1977. While asbestos can be a cancer and lung hazard if not managed properly, the mere presence of asbestos in a building does not pose a health risk to the occupants. It becomes a danger only when fibers (dust) are released into the air, usually through actions that break down or disturb the material holding the asbestos in place.

The Air Force conducted a survey of military housing, and found asbestos in the **EAGLE RIDGE** housing area. In particular, asbestos has been found in 9 X 9 floor tile/mastic, vibration dampener (HVAC system), light fixture reflectors, transite panels (soffit), wallboard joints, and water piping. These areas were generally found to be in good condition and do not indicate any immediate need for asbestos abatement.

It is housing management's goal to provide a safe and sanitary dwelling, but occupant assistance is needed to achieve this goal. It is necessary to keep the asbestos from becoming damaged. Following is a list of activities that may disturb asbestos-containing materials. Refrain from doing any of the activities mentioned.

- **Do not** drill into the walls or ceilings (nails for pictures are okay, but not in wall joints)
- **Do not** sand, cut or scrape walls, ceilings, floor tiles and mastic
- **Do not** install self-help projects into walls, ceilings or tiled floors, (light fixtures, ceiling fans, cabinets etc.) without Housing Management approval
- **Do not** perform any maintenance or self-help work that could disturb areas identified or could possibly contain asbestos

Contact the Housing Office at (605) 385-2575 with questions concerning self-help projects.

Occupants noticing damage to the areas mentioned should notify Housing Office immediately at (605) 385-2575. Asbestos survey records are available in the Civil Engineer Environmental Flight Office at (605) 385-6616 or (605) 385-2684.

LEAD-BASED PAINT

Housing units constructed prior to 1978 may contain lead-based paint. Lead from paint, paint chips and lead-laden dusts from removal of LBP can create health problems if ingested. Lead is especially harmful to young children and pregnant women. The presence of lead-based paint has been found in the **EAGLE RIDGE** housing units. Lead-based paint has been located in the following areas: [ceilings, stairs/rails to basement, and door frames]. Read the information provided by the Environmental Protection Agency "*Protect Your Family from Lead in Your Home*".

If occupants notice damaged, peeling, or flaking paint in their home, they should notify the Housing Office immediately at (605) 385-2575. Lead-based paint survey records are available at the 28th Civil Engineer Squadron Environmental Flight office at (605) 385-6616 or (605) 385-2684.

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OCCUPANT NAME:

DISCLOSURE INFORMATION
HOUSING UNIT ADDRESS:

FAMILY HOUSING RESIDENT'S ACKNOWLEDGMENT

a. _____ Resident received a copy of "Asbestos in Your Home" provided by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

www.epa.gov/asbestos/pubs/ashome.html

b. _____ Resident received the pamphlet "Protect Your Family from Lead in Your Home" provided by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

www.pueblo.gsa.gov/cic_text/housing/finlead/leadhelp.html

CERTIFICATION OF ACCURACY

The following parties have reviewed the information above and certify, to the best of their knowledge, that the information they have provided is true and accurate.

Housing Agent (Sign)

Date

Resident (Sign)

Date