

Asbestos Compensation Update

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Help for Hospices

For the first time, a family has recently won £10,021 for the hospice that cared for their father who had mesothelioma. The court ordered that the money, payable for care and expenses, be paid directly to the hospice.

How much asbestos is too much?

Exposure for as little as 2 weeks or, for 2 minutes a day over 10 years, is too much.

- A school cook who used an asbestos cloth won compensation because the way she brushed the cloth down each day was enough to release fibres that could cause mesothelioma.
- A accounts clerk in an office attached to a power station won £167,000 compensation because he was exposed to asbestos when he went into the power station from time to time.
- BUT - An employer that promptly boarded over and sealed an asbestos ceiling avoided paying compensation. It had done all that was reasonable to avoid asbestos risks as soon as it became aware of the danger.

Focus on Benefits

- Up to £75,176 lump sum is payable to mesothelioma sufferers or their dependants through a government scheme without making a legal claim.
- £145.80 IIDB is paid per week to mesothelioma sufferers exposed through their employment - even if the employer no longer exists.

