



# WATERGATE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

## Application for Modification of Unit

### Acoustical Ceiling Guidelines

Unless it can be documented otherwise, the acoustical ceiling texture on your unit's ceiling is assumed to contain asbestos. Therefore, Association approval is necessary in order to be able to remove this material. The Board has authorized WCA staff to approve these applications "over-the-counter" conditional to prescribed guidelines. Such approval is contingent upon the requirement that removal of this material be completed in accordance with Bay Area Air Quality Control Management District (BAAQMD) regulations using a licensed Asbestos Abatement contractor.

Since the F-building was constructed after the use of asbestos was restricted, it is likely that F-bldg unit owners will not have to use a licensed Asbestos Abatement contractor. However, *before* such approval can be granted, the Association requires that a sample of the ceiling material that is to be removed be tested at a suitable facility and a that a copy of a certificate that indicates a 0% asbestos level be submitted to the WCA office for filing. In either case, approval from the WCA office is still required.

All other unit's are encouraged to have their ceiling material tested as well to ensure that the hiring of a licensed Asbestos Abatement contractor is absolutely necessary.

Finally, after the work has been completed, copies of all relevant BAAQMD compliance documents must be submitted the office for filing and an inspection scheduled to close out the file.

Persons wishing to encapsulate their ceiling with sheetrock need only to submit an application (to be approved "over-the-counter"), obtain a City of Emeryville Building permit, and submit a copy of same to the WCA office for filing.