

CITY OF SAN BERNARDINO
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
DEMO GUIDELINES

1. Notify the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) of the pending demolition in accordance with Rule 1403 (Addendum A). If **asbestos or other hazardous materials** are present in the building, state laws governing protection of personnel and proper disposal of such materials must be followed.
2. Help **maintain good air quality** by keeping the creation of dust to a minimum.
3. **The discovery of cesspools, septic tanks, seepage pits, or similar sewage disposal facilities and subsequent abandonment** requires a permit from the Development Services Department. The California Plumbing Code, Section 722, stipulated the following procedure for abandonment of sewage disposal facilities:
 - (a) Remove any remaining sewage.
 - (b) Remove the cover or arch.
 - (c) Backfill with sand, earth, gravel or concrete to a height not to exceed the level of any outlet pipe, or to the top of the sidewall, whichever is less.
 - (d) Obtain inspection form the City of San Bernardino Building Inspection Division.
 - (e) Complete backfilling to the level of the adjacent grade.
4. The **demolition site should be secured**. If the demolition work will extend beyond a 24-hour period, the lot must be fenced to a height of 6 feet to secure the site.
5. If the demolition and clean-up of the site requires the use or obstruction of and "public way" (i.e., street, sidewalk, etc.) an **encroachment permit** from the Public Works Department must be obtained prior to using or obstructing (Phone: 384-5111).
6. **Pedestrian protection** in the form of protective canopies, railings, walkways and fences shall be provided in accordance with the 2010 California Building Code, Chapter 33 whenever work must be conducted adjacent to a public street and public way. Plans and a schedule for demolition will be required. All protective devices must be in a place and an inspection obtained, and approval of pedestrian protection granted prior to the start of demolition work.
7. Keep erosion control measures, (e.g. silt fencing, sandbags, etc.) to be used and erosion control plan on site during demolition should a storm event occur during the demolition phase.