



STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRIES

Division of Occupational Safety and Health
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November 01, 2024

NW QUALITY FLOORING LLC
9206 Ne 131st Ave
Vancouver, WA 98682-3035

Inspection: 317980391
UBI: 603432511
Region: 04 – Health
Inspector ID: B4251
Reference: 203414991

Enclosed are the results of the safety and health inspection of your workplace. This packet contains:

- **Citation Invoice** – the total assessed penalty is \$108,200.00.
- **Citation and Notice of Assessment** – Washington Administrative Code (WAC) Violations.
- **Employer Appeal Rights** – You have 15 working days to appeal this citation.

You must immediately post this Citation and Notice of Assessment at or near where the violation(s) occurred, where employees can easily find and read it, or where employees normally receive posted information. All postings must remain until you have corrected all violations, or for seven working days, whichever is longer. “Working day” means a calendar day, except Saturdays, Sundays and all legal state holidays.

Because this inspection is public information, the result will be posted by the Department of Labor & Industries. You may view it at <https://secure.lni.wa.gov/verify>.

Please visit <https://www.lni.wa.gov/agency/public-disclosure/> if you would like to request a copy of the inspection file. Your choices are:

- Safety & Health Citation Only
- Safety & Health Brief Inspector Summary Report (short description the inspector writes to summarize the reason for the inspection only – not complete file)
- Safety & Health Citation and Complete Inspection File (The complete legal file which contains the detailed information regarding the inspector’s findings, the citation, and calculation of any penalty. This will be especially helpful if you are contemplating filing an appeal.)

If you have questions, call the compliance supervisor, Lyndsey Banks, at (360) 902-5409.

Respectfully,

L&I Assistant Director
Division of Occupational Safety & Health
Enclosure(s)



Invoice

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UBI: 603432511 Legal Name: NW QUALITY FLOORING LLC DBA Name: NW QUALITY FLOORING LLC Inspection Site: 15807 SE 2nd St, Vancouver, WA 98684	Issued: November 01, 2024 Opening Conference: May 24, 2024 Closing Conference: October 18, 2024 Inspector ID: B4251
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Summary of Assessed Penalties Due

The Citation and Notice of Assessment includes a full description of each violation.

Violation Item	Violation Type	WAC	Abatement Due Date	Penalty Amount
1-1	Willful Serious	WAC 296-62-07721(2)(b)(ii)	Corrected	\$24,000.00
1-2	Willful Serious	WAC 296-65-030(1)(a)	Corrected	\$28,000.00
1-3	Willful Serious	WAC 296-65-030(2)	Corrected	\$28,000.00
1-4	Willful Serious	WAC 296-65-030(3)	Corrected	\$28,000.00
2-1	Repeat General	WAC 296-65-020(1)	Not Applicable	\$200.00
<u>Total Penalty Due</u>				\$108,200.00

PAYMENT INFORMATION

Payment is due 15 *working days from receipt of this citation (unless appealed).

Pay L&I the amount due on this invoice by scanning the QR code listed below, or by visiting www.lni.wa.gov/agency/pay-a-balance-due/

You may also mail a check made payable to the Department of Labor and Industries. Write Inspection number 317980391 on the check and mail to:

Attn: DOSH Cashier Department of Labor and Industries PO Box 44835 Olympia, WA 98504-4835 Or deliver to: Any L&I office	
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Violation 1 Item 1

Violation Type: Willful Serious

WAC 296-62-07721(2)(b)(ii)

The building owner did not ensure that a good faith asbestos inspection was performed by an accredited inspector prior to authorizing or allowing a renovation project.

NW Quality Flooring LLC, a contractor remodeling a property with which they were a registered owner of, was found to have commenced work without a good faith asbestos inspection being completed.

An Order of Immediate Restraint was issued at the worksite in relation to the violation above.

This violation was corrected during the inspection.

Assessed penalty: \$24,000.00



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Violation 1 Item 2

Violation Type: Willful Serious

WAC 296-65-030(1)(a)

The building owner did not ensure that only certified asbestos abatement contractors, outlined in WAC 296-65-017, performed work on asbestos abatement projects.

NW Quality Flooring LLC, a contractor remodeling a property with which they were a registered owner of, was found to have engaged in a Class II asbestos abatement project without being certified as an asbestos abatement contractor.

Exposure to hazards of this nature can lead to serious injuries involving permanent disability, death, or chronic irreversible illness.

An Order of Immediate Restraint was issued at the worksite in relation to the violation above.

This violation was corrected during the inspection.

Assessed penalty: \$28,000.00



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Violation 1 Item 3 WAC 296-65-030(2)

Violation Type: Willful Serious

The building owner did not ensure that asbestos abatement projects were supervised by only certified asbestos supervisors as required in WAC 296-62-07722.

NW Quality Flooring LLC, a contractor remodeling a property with which they were a registered owner of, was found to have engaged in a Class II asbestos abatement project without the supervision of a certified asbestos supervisor.

Exposure to hazards of this nature can lead to serious injuries involving permanent disability, death, or chronic irreversible illness.

An Order of Immediate Restraint was issued at the worksite in relation to the violation above.

This violation was corrected during the inspection.

Assessed penalty: \$28,000.00

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Violation 1 Item 4
WAC 296-65-030(3)

Violation Type: Willful Serious

The building owner did not ensure that work on asbestos projects was performed by only certified asbestos workers as required in WAC 296-62-07722.

The owner of NW Quality Flooring LLC, a contractor remodeling a property with which they were a registered owner of, was found to have engaged in a Class II asbestos abatement project without being a certified asbestos worker.

Exposure to hazards of this nature can lead to serious injuries involving permanent disability, death, or chronic irreversible illness.

An Order of Immediate Restraint was issued at the worksite in relation to the violation above.

This violation was corrected during the inspection.

Assessed penalty: \$28,000.00



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Violation 2 Item 1
WAC 296-65-020(1)

Violation Type: Repeat General

The building owner did not ensure that written notification was provided to the Department of Labor & Industries prior to any person or individual beginning an asbestos project involving more than forty-eight square feet or ten linear feet of asbestos-containing material.

NW Quality Flooring LLC, a contractor remodeling a property with which they were a registered owner of, was found to have engaged in a Class II asbestos abatement project without providing written notice to the Department.

The violation above is cited as a repeat of 2-1, cited on Citation and Notice 317966113 issued on 4/4/2022.

**Situation not believed to exist any longer.
However, if this violation is identified again during future inspections, it may
result in repeat or failure to abate violations which may include penalties.
Assessed penalty: \$200.00**



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Message

This employer has been identified as a Severe Violator Enforcement case under the Washington State Department of Labor & Industries Division of Occupational Safety and Health's (DOSH), Severe Violator Enforcement Program (SVEP). Your company will be subject to follow-up inspections to determine if the conditions cited here still exist in the future. Follow-up inspections of this company will continue at a heightened level until the Department is satisfied that the conditions no longer exist.

The following violations qualify this employer for SVEP:

Willful Serious:

- 1-2: Asbestos abatement project not performed by a certified asbestos abatement contractor.
- 1-3: Asbestos abatement project performed without the supervision of a certified asbestos supervisor.
- 1-4: Asbestos project performed by non-certified asbestos workers.

This case has been sent to the Occupational Safety & Health Administration (OSHA). For further information, please refer to DOSH Directive 2.68 and OSHA Instruction CPL 02-00-169.

For Employers

If you are cited for a violation of Occupational Safety and/or Health rules, you have the right to appeal the citation. **You have 15 working days from the date you receive this citation to appeal.** (RCW 49.17.140(1)) "Working day" means a calendar day, except Saturdays, Sundays and all legal state holidays. Your appeal must be in writing. It may be mailed, faxed, personally delivered or electronically filed. If you electronically file, the Department will send an automated acknowledgement that the appeal was received. **If you do not receive acknowledgement, please ensure you have addressed it to the correct email.** You can also contact the Appeals Program at the number listed below.

For violations classified as serious, willful, repeat serious, or failure to abate serious, an employer must correct the violations by the date listed on the Citation and Notice / Employer's Certification of Abatement form unless a stay of abatement date is requested in the appeal as described on this page. A stay of abatement date means the employer's requirement to abate or correct the hazard is put on hold until the appeal is resolved. All general and repeat general violations under appeal automatically have stay of abatement dates until a final order on those violations has been issued. If you only need an extension of an abatement date, please see the above section entitled, **"If you are unable to fix the hazard(s) by the abatement due date(s)"**.

Your appeal must include:

- Business name, address, telephone number, and contact information for the employer's representative, if any, such as an attorney or interpreter.
- Inspection Number (You will find this nine-digit number in the top right corner of this page.)
- Statement explaining:
 1. What you believe is wrong with the citation and any related facts.
 2. What you believe should be changed, and why.
 3. What relief you are seeking and why.
 4. Signature and Date.

If you are requesting a stay of abatement date for serious, willful, repeat serious or failure to abate serious, you must also include:

- Each violation and item number for which a stay of abatement date is requested; and
- The reason for the stay of abatement date request.

Note: Employees and/or employee representatives may elect to participate in appeal hearings.

Posting requirement:



You must post your appeal documents (along with this citation packet) until the appeal is resolved. You must also post all other documents related to this appeal.

For Employees or Their Representatives

If your employer is cited, you may only appeal the abatement due date(s).

Your appeal must include:

- Your name, address, telephone number, and the same information for anyone who is representing you, if any.
- Inspection number.
- Statement explaining why the abatement due date should be changed.

Send all Appeals to:	Scan the QR Code below to:	
<p>Assistant Director for DOSH Services Attn: DOSH Appeals PO Box 44604 Olympia, WA 98504-4604 Electronically to: DOSHAppeals@Lni.wa.gov Fax to: (360) 902-5581 or deliver to: Any L&I office</p>	<p>Complete the WISHA Citation & Notice Appeal Form, OR visit</p> <p>www.Lni.wa.gov/safety-health/safety-rules/safety-citation-appeals</p>	 

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