

**MONTEREY BAY UNIFIED AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT  
REGULATION IV  
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**RULE 439 BUILDING REMOVALS**

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**PART 1 GENERAL**

**1.1 Purpose**

The purpose of this Rule is to limit particulate emissions from the removal of buildings within the District.

**1.2 Applicability**

The provisions of this Rule shall apply to all building removals.

**1.3 Exemptions**

Reserved.

**1.4 Effective Dates**

This Rule, as originally adopted, is effective on September 20, 2006.

**1.5 References**

1.5.1 The provisions of this Rule derive from the standards for lead exposure in the California Air Resources Board's Risk Management Guidelines for New, Modified, and Existing Sources of Lead.

1.5.2 Referenced or related rules include: Rule 400 (Visible Emissions) and Rule 402 (Nuisances)

**PART 2 DEFINITIONS**

**2.1 Building Removal**

The deconstruction or demolition of any building.

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2.2 Deconstruction

The manual removal of painted components including, but not limited to, woodsiding, exterior trim, doors, window sashes and overhanging eaves prior to the destruction and removal of the building by either manual or mechanical means.

2.3 Demolition

The destruction and removal of a building by mechanical means.

**PART 3 REQUIREMENTS AND STANDARDS**

3.1 Visible Emissions

There shall be no visible emissions whatsoever from building removals.

3.2 Work Practice Standards

The following work practice standards shall be followed during building removals:

3.2.1 As necessary to prevent visible emissions, sufficiently wet the structure prior to removal. Continue wetting as necessary during active removal and the debris reduction process.

3.2.2 Demolish structure inward toward building pad. Laydown roof and walls so that they fall inward and not away from the building.

3.2.3 Commencement of removal activities are prohibited when the peak wind speed exceeds 15 miles per hour.

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