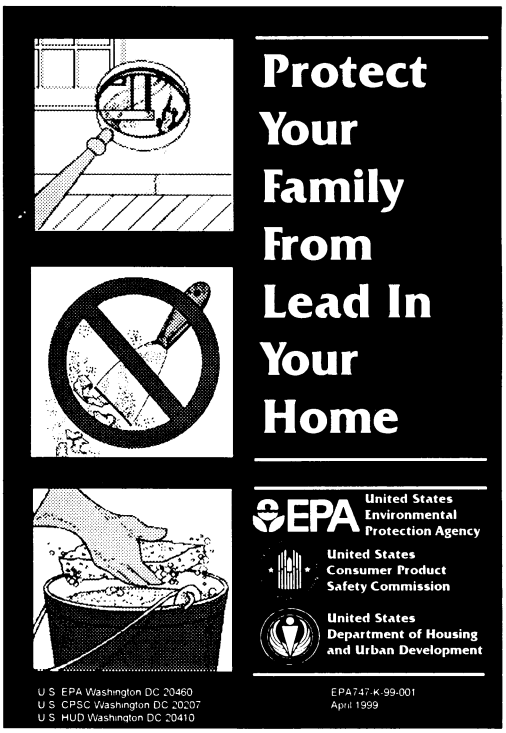
ATTENTION!

Remodeler/Renovator/Contractor/Landlord Does the New Federal Lead-Based Paint Regulation Apply to You?

Yes, if:

- ☑ Your work involves pre-1978 houses or apartments
- ☑ You receive any form of compensation for your work
- ☑ You disturb more than 2 square feet of painted surfaces
- ☑ Your work is not specifically excluded from this law



Federal law requires distribution of this lead hazard information pamphlet BEFORE starting a renovation.

Applicable to:

- Carpenters
- Renovators & Remodelers
- Electricians & Plumbers
- Painters
- Home Improvement Contractors
- Landlords/Property Managers
- Apartment Maintenance Staff
- Anyone whose work disturbs paint

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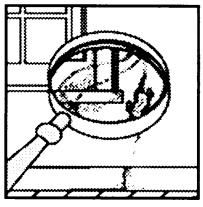
LEAD Awareness Program

The Lead Pre-Renovation Education (PRE) Rule



In general, the Lead PRE Rule applies to: **Renovations** performed in **pre-1978 housing** which are performed for **compensation**.

"Renovation" means any modification of all or part of any existing structure in the housing that disturbs painted surfaces. "Renovation" includes:

- Removal/modification of painted surfaces, components, or structures
- Surface preparation activities (sanding/scraping/ other activities that may create paint dust)
- Window replacement.

"Compensation" is the receipt of anything of value (not only money), and may include:

- Exchanges of money, goods, or services
- Payment of rent to landlords/property managers.

Renovation Examples:

- Demolition of painted walls or ceilings
- Large surface replastering
- Major plumbing repairs or improvements
- Any other activities which disturb more than 2 square feet of painted surfaces

Are there exemptions from these requirements? YES...

- Lead abatement activities performed by certified lead abatement contractors
- Emergency renovations
- Renovation of certified lead-based paint free components
- Minor repair/maintenance activities which disturb less than 2 square feet of painted surfaces
- Renovations in dormitories/studio apartments/housing for the elderly or disabled

What am I required to do? Specific requirements depend on the following criteria:

In owner-occupied housing you must:

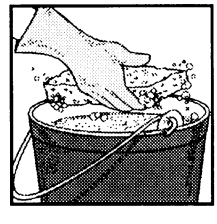
- Provide an EPA-approved lead information pamphlet to owner and get written acknowledgment or receipt from owner, OR
- Mail the pamphlet to owner 7 days prior to renovation and document with certificate of mailing.

In tenant-occupied housing you must:

- Provide an EPA-approved pamphlet to both building owner and an adult occupant by one of above methods.
- If attempted delivery to adult occupant fails, you may comply by leaving the pamphlet at unit and preparing certification describing delivery attempts for your files.

For renovations in "common areas" in multi-family housing (more than 4 units), you must:

- Provide an EPA-approved pamphlet by one of the methods listed under owner-occupied housing above.
- Provide notice to each tenant in the building describing:
  - Nature/location/timing of renovation.
  - Availability of the EPA-approved pamphlet (free upon request).
- Retain written documentation describing notification procedures for 3 years.



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