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On April 22, 2010 the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Lead Paint rules take full effect.

These rules require most contractors to be certified in the handling of lead paints when working in any residential structure or any structure regularly housing children (school, daycare, preschool, etc) constructed before 1978.

Most homeowners, child service providers and all contractors should be aware of the requirements of this EPA policy.

For the convenience of all attached is a detailed list of the phone #'s and websites from which more information may be obtained.

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**Notice: EPA's New Lead Renovation, Repair and Painting Rule
(40 CFR 745.80 through 745.92)**

The U.S. EPA's Renovation, Repair and Painting Rule (40 CFR 745.80 through 92 - the "RRP Rule") which was promulgated in April 2008, will become fully effective in Massachusetts on April 22, 2010. This regulation is expected to impact how renovation, repair and painting work is conducted in older residences and child-occupied facilities in the Commonwealth.

With limited exceptions, the RRP Rule applies to all renovation, repair and painting work conducted for a fee in pre-1978 houses and other facilities that are regularly occupied by children ("child-occupied facilities," such as kindergartens and day care centers) where more than 6 square feet of lead paint on interior surfaces or more than 20 square feet of lead paint on exterior surfaces is disturbed by the work.

The RRP Rule requires that all contractors, property managers and others who conduct work subject to the Rule become certified with EPA as a "Certified Firm" before entering into the work. The RRP Rule also requires that regulated renovation, repair and painting work be overseen by a supervisor (a "Certified Renovator"). Supervisors obtain certification by taking a one-day "certified renovator course" from an EPA-approved training provider. The training certificate received from the training provider constitutes the certification.

Before beginning a work activity subject to the RRP Rule, the Certified Firm must: give advance notice of the upcoming project to the owner, tenants or occupants of the residence or child-occupied facility; distribute an EPA informational pamphlet, "Renovate Right: Important Lead Hazard Information for Families, Child Care Providers and Schools" (<http://www.epa.gov/opptintr/lead/pubs/renovaterightbrochure.pdf>) and post informational signs at the worksite. The RRP Rule contains specific work practice requirements for the conduct of the work, including prohibited methods, work area isolation, covering of surfaces that could become contaminated with lead dust during the course of the work, work area cleanup and "cleaning verification". The RRP Rule also contains record-keeping requirements relating to pre-work inspections, notifications and work practices.

Municipal building officials will not have any formal responsibility in administering and enforcing the RRP Rule. As always, however, DOS would hope to work closely with local officials in the same manner as it works with them in connection with enforcing the current deleading and

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asbestos abatement regulations.

The text of the RRP Rule, information on related requirements, application forms for Certified Firms and information about EPA-approved training providers may be found on the EPA website at www.epa.gov/lead/renovation . Interested parties may also call the EPA lead hotline at 800-424 LEAD (5323) for additional information.

The Division of Occupational Safety (DOS) is planning to seek delegated authority from the EPA to administer a regulatory program for lead-safe renovation in Massachusetts which would be effective on April 22, 2010. If DOS receives this delegated authority, it will have responsibility for administering and enforcing the RRP Rule (and if it doesn't, that responsibility will fall on the U.S. EPA). In the interim, firms should apply to EPA for certification.

More information will be available as the application process for delegated authority proceeds. DOS will make that information available as soon as possible. In the interim, questions can be directed to DOS Environmental Engineers Patty Sutliff or Frank Kramarz at 617-969-7177.

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency- New England (Region 1) Lead-Based Paint Resources and Information

Phone Numbers

EPA-New England
National Lead-Based Paint Hotline
(Ask to speak with someone about Lead-Based Paint Issues)

888-372-7341
800-424-LEAD (5323)

Links to Web Pages

EPA Lead-Based Paint Information

General Information (National)
List of Publications
General Information (EPA-New England)
Enforcement and Compliance Assistance
(EPA-New England)

<http://www.epa.gov/opptintr/lead>
www.epa.gov/opptintr/lead/pubs/leadinfo.html
www.epa.gov/region1/topics/pollutants/lead.html
<http://www.epa.gov/region1/enforcement/leadpaint>

State Lead Programs

New England States' Lead Programs
Lists of Licensed Contractors in NE

www.epa.gov/region01/eco/ne_lead/organizations.html
http://nelar.net/Public_Find_Licensee.aspx

Lead-Based Paint Disclosure Rule (1018)

Rule
"Protect Your Family" pamphlet
Sample Disclosure Form (Lease)
Sample Disclosure Form (Sale)

www.epa.gov/region1/enforcement/leadpaint/section1018.html
<http://www.epa.gov/lead/pubs/leadprot.htm>
www.epa.gov/lead/pubs/lesr_eng.pdf
www.epa.gov/lead/pubs/selr_eng.pdf

Pre-Renovation Education/Notification Rule (406b)

Rule

www.epa.gov/lead/pubs/leadrenf.htm

New Renovation, Repair and Painting Rule (402c)

Rule
Tool Box
Guidance
Effective Dates for the Rule
"Renovate Right" brochure
List of Training Providers

<http://www.epa.gov/lead/pubs/renovation.htm>
<http://epa.gov/lead/pubs/toolkits.htm>
<http://www.epa.gov/lead/pubs/sbcomplianceguide.pdf>
www.epa.gov/lead/pubs/effectivedates.pdf
<http://www.epa.gov/lead/pubs/renovaterightbrochure.pdf>
www.epa.gov/lead/pubs/trainingproviders.htm

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Lead Home Page

<http://www.hud.gov/offices/lead/healthyhomes/lead.cfm>

Resources for Business

EPA Small Business Compliance Policy
EPA Audit Policy

www.epa.gov/compliance/incentives/smallbusiness/index.html
www.epa.gov/compliance/incentives/auditing/auditpolicy.html

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