

EPA's Lead Renovation, Repair and Painting Program Rule



Are you planning to renovate a home built before 1978?

Many homes that were built before 1978 have paint that contains lead (called lead-based paint). Lead from paint, paint chips, and paint dust can pose serious health hazards if not taken care of properly.

The EPA's Lead Renovation, Repair and Painting Program Rule is a federal regulation affecting contractors who perform renovations in homes that may contain lead-based paint. It requires distribution of the lead pamphlet "*Renovate Right: Important Lead Hazard Information for Families, Child Care Providers, and Schools*" to the owners and occupants of the home before beginning work. We have included a copy for you in this packet.

FACT: Lead exposure can harm young children and babies even before they are born.

FACT: Even children that seem healthy can have high levels of lead in their bodies.

FACT: People can get lead in their bodies by breathing or swallowing lead dust, or by eating soil or paint chips with lead in them.

FACT: People have many options for reducing lead hazards. In most cases, lead-based paint that is in good condition is not a hazard.

FACT: Removing lead-based paint improperly can increase the danger to your family.

Castle Building & Remodeling Works Lead-Safe!

We have made a commitment to the safety of our customers and our workers. Our workers and subcontractors have been carefully trained in how to recognize, work with, and properly clean up lead-based paint, paint chips, and paint dust.

People have sometimes created a health hazard for their families without realizing it by disturbing surfaces containing lead-based paint during housing renovations. Activities like scraping, sanding, or using a heat gun on surfaces that contain lead paint can release large amount of lead dust and fumes. Lead dust can remain in the home long after the work is completed.

We at Castle Building & Remodeling encourage you to take the time and assume the responsibility to educate yourself about the possible hazards posed by lead-based paint and how to protect yourself and your family.