



Work Lead-Safe in Your Home

Renovate Right!

1. Prepare the work area

- ✓ Move toys, furniture and draperies out of the work area.
- ✓ If furnishings can't be moved, cover with plastic sheeting and tape securely.
- ✓ Keep windows and doors closed in work area.
- ✓ Cover work area floors, windows, doors heating ducts, air returns and window air conditioners with heavy-duty plastic sheeting and tape securely.

2. Protect workers and occupants

- ✓ Keep children, pregnant women and pets OUT of work area.
- ✓ Wear hats, disposable gloves and protective eyewear when working.
- ✓ Don't EAT, DRINK or SMOKE in work areas.
- ✓ Wear an N-100, R-100, or P-100 respirator on jobs that may create dust.
- ✓ Use ONLY HEPA vacuums and power sanders or grinders that have HEPA vacuum attachments.
- ✓ Don't use heat guns over 1,100°F.

3. Don't spread lead dust

- ✓ Make sure that your tools, paint and other equipment are on the plastic sheeting in the work area before starting work.
- ✓ Remove shoe covers (if used), clean shoes or wipe work shoes on tack mats before leaving work area.
- ✓ Take precautions, such as HEPA vacuuming or wet wiping, to make sure that you, your tools, and waste containers are free of dust and debris before leaving work area.

4. Work wet, work clean

- ✓ Mist areas to be scraped or sanded. Don't mist near electric outlet or switches.
- ✓ Clean up as you work. Be sure to wipe dust with a damp cloth, pick up debris and place in heavy-duty trash bags. Tape bags closed.
- ✓ Any large debris items (windows, doors, cabinets) should be wrapped in heavy-duty plastic sheeting and placed outside for trash pick up.

5. Clean the work area

- ✓ Collect paint chips and debris in a waste bag and tape it closed.
- ✓ Mist plastic sheeting, fold it inward, and tape shut to seal or seal in a heavy-duty waste bag.
- ✓ HEPA vacuum or wet-wipe walls and all hard surfaces in the work area with disposable cleaning cloths.
- ✓ Wet mop uncarpeted floors in the work area, keeping the wash water separate from the rinse water.
- ✓ Discard the mop head when finished.
- ✓ Double bag and tape shut all waste bags containing paint debris and discarded cleaning materials.

6. Waste disposal

- ✓ Homeowners may place bags containing lead dust, debris, plastic sheets and disposable protective equipment in household trash containers.

Need more information? Call

1-800-424-LEAD(5323)

Or visit:

www.epa.gov/lead



Protect Your Family From Lead Poisoning During Renovations

HOMEOWNERS CHECKLIST

Equipment

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Spray Mister | <input type="checkbox"/> Disposable Cleaning Cloths | <input type="checkbox"/> Buckets |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stapler | <input type="checkbox"/> HEPA Vacuum | <input type="checkbox"/> Heavy-Duty Plastic Sheeting |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Scrapers | <input type="checkbox"/> Heavy-Duty Trash Bags | <input type="checkbox"/> Tape |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wet or Wet/Dry Sandpaper or Sanding blocks | <input type="checkbox"/> Wet Mop | |

Personal Protection

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Disposable Coveralls | <input type="checkbox"/> Gloves | <input type="checkbox"/> Safety glasses or goggles |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Disposable Work Shoes or Shoe Covers | <input type="checkbox"/> Disposable Cap | <input type="checkbox"/> Disposable N-100, R-100, or P-100 Respirators |

