FOR MORE INFORMATION
For information on training and becoming a certified worker or lead firm, go to:
www.epa.gov/lead
1-800-424-LEAD

Are you ready for NYC’s new Lead Paint Law?

- Building Owners
- Building Workers
- Plumbers
- Electricians
- Carpenters
- Superintendents
- Window Installers
- Painters

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Local Law 1 of 2004

On August 2, 2004, New York City’s new Local Law 1 will go into effect. The new law requires:

- Building owners to reduce lead hazards in apartments
- Use of safe work practices for repairs and maintenance that disturb lead paint
- Training of residential building workers disturbing lead paint
- Use of dust clearance testing.

Local Law 1 applies to apartments and common areas of buildings:

- Built before 1960 or built between 1960 and 1978 and there is a reasonable belief that lead paint is present
- With 3 or more apartments, and
- Where a child under 6 years of age lives.

WHO NEEDS TRAINING IN SAFE WORK PRACTICES?

All workers who will disturb or repair a painted surface need to be trained, including but not limited to:

- Painters who scrape or sand painted surfaces
- Plumbers and electricians who disturb painted surfaces to reach pipes or electrical wires
- Superintendents, handypersons, mechanics, window repairers, and window installers, renovators, and other building workers who will work on painted surfaces within the building.

WHAT TYPE OF TRAINING DO WORKERS NEED?

The type of training required depends on the work being done.

Repair and renovation work disturbing from 2 to 100 square feet of painted surfaces requires:

- Workers who are trained in lead safe work practices.

Repair and renovation work disturbing more than 100 square feet, or replacing two or more windows requires:

- EPA-certified contractors
- Workers who are trained in lead safe work practices.

Correction of lead violations issued by HPD under Local Law 1

- EPA-certified contractors
- Workers who are trained in lead safe work practices.

Correction of lead violations issued by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene under the Health Code

- EPA-certified contractors

EPA certified firms will also need:

- Lead Abatement Supervisors
- Dust Clearance Technicians

Additional training disciplines that may be required include:

- Lead Paint Inspector
- Lead Paint Risk Assessor

HOW DO WORKERS GET TRAINED AND CONTRACTORS GET CERTIFIED?

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) certifies firms to do lead training. A listing of EPA-certified trainers is available on the EPA’s web site at www.epa.gov/lead or by calling the EPA at 800-424-LEAD. Information is also available there on certification of contracting firms. Individuals and firms are required to pay for EPA training and certification.

Remember!
You may not do work covered by Local Law 1 after August 2, 2004 unless all workers and firms are properly trained and/or certified by the EPA.