



If your home was built before 1978,
it may contain dangerous lead paint.
When you renovate, repair, or paint, hire a licensed
Lead-safe Renovation Contractor

Contractor Name: _____

Massachusetts DLS LSRC license # _____ Expiration _____

Property Address _____

Why hire a Lead-safe Renovation Contractor?

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| 1. To protect your family from lead poisoning | Even small amounts of lead can permanently damage a child's brain and nervous system, causing lower IQ, along with serious learning and behavior problems. |
| 2. To protect themselves and you from lead poisoning | Lead can harm an adult's nervous system, increase blood pressure, and cause muscle weakness, abdominal pain, and reproductive problems in men and women. |
| 3. To keep your home safe | Maintain the safety and value of your home by keeping it from becoming a lead hazard. |
| 4. To use a contractor who cares about your family's health and safety | A licensed contractor has taken the time and effort to take an approved training course in how to work lead-safe. |
| 5. To use a contractor who obeys the law | Contractors who violate the law may be subject to large fines. |

* DLS Lead Safe Renovation Regulations 454 CMR 22.00

What will a Lead-safe Renovation Contractor do?

Property owners can use the checklist below to mark off the contractor's progress.

- ☐ The contractor will give property owners a copy of **Renovate Right**, a pamphlet describing the lead-poisoning risks that may come from renovation activity in homes built **before 1978**.

Property owner: The contractor must provide to you a copy of the **Renovate Right** pamphlet **before** the work begins.

- ☐ Then, the contractor will either
- (1) test to determine whether lead paint is present (using EPA-approved test procedures) *or*
 - (2) assume lead paint is present if home was built before 1978.

If a test shows that lead paint is present, or if the contractor assumes that lead paint is present, the contractor will use the lead-safe work practices listed on the next page.

**A Lead-safe Renovation Contractor will use the following work practices
to avoid creating and spreading dangerous lead dust:**

☐ **Set up the work area to prevent
the spread of lead dust**

Indoors

- Post warning signs at all entrances
- Remove all moveable items
- Cover Items that are not removable
- Close and cover air vents
- Close windows
- Close and seal doors not needed for work; cover doors needed for work
- Cover floors with taped-down plastic sheeting

Outdoors

- Close windows and doors within 20 feet of work area
- Cover ground within the work area
- Set up vertical containment If necessary

☐ **Protect workers**

- Workers wear protective gear: safety goggles, respirator, and disposable coveralls, gloves, hat, and shoe covers during dust-generating activities
- No smoking, eating, or drinking in the work area

☐ **Create as little dust as possible,
and keep all dust confined
within the work area**

- Except around electrical outlets, mist areas before sanding, scraping, drilling, and cutting
- Use shrouded power tools equipped with HEPA-vacuum attachments to collect dust generated during the work
- Use precautions to avoid tracking dust and debris outside the work area
- No open flame burning, high-heat guns, or power tools unless specially designed to be lead-safe

☐ **Clean up safely at the end of each
day and after the work is
completed**

- Pick up paint chips and debris
- Mist, fold inward, and roll up plastic sheeting; tape to keep closed
- Use HEPA vacuum and damp cloths or wet mops to clean all surfaces
- Store waste securely until it can be removed safely
- Dispose of all waste in accordance with federal, state, and local rules

☐ **Check the work to make sure that
no lead dust remains**

- For outdoor work: Conduct visual inspection
- For indoor work: Conduct visual inspection and use additional approved methods to make sure the area is clean

☐ **Train his or her workers to work
lead-safe, and supervise their work**

The contractor named below agrees to follow these lead-safe work practices to protect you, your family, and your community from lead poisoning.

Contractor's name (print): _____

Contractor's signature: _____ Date: _____

**To find Lead-safe Renovation Contractors licensed by the
Department of Labor Standards or to learn more, visit: mass.gov/leadsafe**