LEAD POISONING



HOW TO PROTECT IOWA FAMILIES

Iowa Department of Public Health Lead Poisoning Prevention Program

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LEAD-BASED PAINT

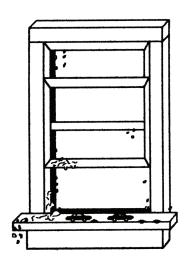
Lead-based paint, lead chips, and lead dust can pose serious health hazards and is still a serious concern in Iowa.



Many homes and childoccupied facilities built before 1978 contain lead -based paint hazards on both interior and exterior surfaces.

All of the rules regarding lead-based paint apply to pre-1978 homes and child-occupied facilities.

Buildings built before 1960 pose the most significant health risks.



Iowa Laws Regarding Landlords and Renovators



Iowa law as enforced by the Iowa Department of Public Health requires lead professionals that disturb painted surfaces in homes and child-occupied facilities built before 1978 to be certified and follow specific work practices to prevent lead contamination. Always ask to see your lead professional's certification. (Read more about safe work practices beginning on page 33.)



Renovators must give homeowners and occupants this booklet and a form before they start work. Landlords and property managers who perform renovations must also give this booklet and a form to tenants before they start work. (Blank forms are included in this booklet.)

"Remember 1-6-20"

Iowa law requires that individuals receive this booklet before renovating more than 1 square foot of painted surfaces.

Iowa law also requires certification and specific work practices when paint is disturbed in:

- 1 square foot of painted woodwork per renovation, or
- 6 square feet of finished dry wall or plaster per interior room per renovation, or
- 20 square feet of exterior painted surfaces per renovation.

Federal Laws Regarding Landlords, Home Sellers, and Renovators

Are You Planning to Buy or Rent a Home Built Before 1978?



Landlords must tell tenants about known lead-based paint and lead-based paint hazards before leases are signed. In the case of verbal leases, landlords must do this before tenants agree to a verbal lease.



Leases must include a disclosure form about lead-based paint unless an Iowa certified inspector has checked the property and said in writing that it is lead -based paint free. (A blank form is included in this booklet.)



THE HOME INSPECTOR

Sellers must offer buyers 10 days to check for lead hazards. Sellers must tell buyers in writing about lead-based paint and lead-based paint hazards before entering into a sales contract.



Sales contracts must include a disclosure form about lead-based paint in the building. (A blank form is included in this booklet.)

LEAD POISONING

Lead poisoning occurs when a person has too much lead in his or her body.



A blood lead test tells the amount of lead in a person's body.

Children under the age of 6 are much more sensitive to lead than adults. Experts currently reference a level of 5 micrograms per deciliter (µg/dL) to identify children with higher blood lead levels than most other children.

Pregnant women exposed to lead can transfer lead to their fetuses. Lead gets into the body when it is inhaled or swallowed.





Adults should keep their blood lead levels less than 10 µg/dL.

Adults should try to keep their blood lead levels and their children's blood lead levels as low as possible.

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How Do Children Become Lead-Poisoned?

Paint in poor condition is usually the source of childhood lead poisoning in Iowa. Children can be lead-poisoned if they:

☐ Put dusty or dirty hands, toys, bottles, or pacifiers in their mouths.

Household dust in older homes often contains lead from old paint. This dust gets on children's hands, toys, bottles, and pacifiers.



☐ Breathe in dust from lead-based paint that is being disturbed.

Children and pregnant women should leave the area before the work begins and should be prohibited from returning to the work area until the work area has been completely cleaned.



Play in dirt or a sandbox near an old building or where an old building was torn down.

This soil could be contaminated with lead-based chips or dust.

Children may put the dirt or sand in their mouths. Or, the dirt or sand may stick to their hands and toys that they put in their mouths.



- ☐ Put lead-based paint chips in their mouths.
 - Chew on surfaces painted with lead-based paint.

Children who are teething may chew on window sills and stair railings.

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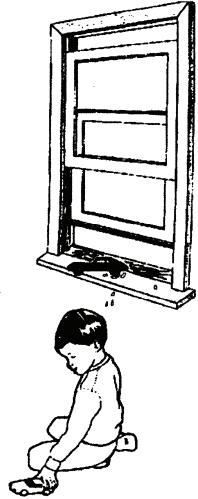
☐ Play in or near windows and other areas where there are paint chips.

These paint chips can be ground into small pieces and dust that stick to children's hands and toys. Children often put their hands and toys in their mouths.

Children like to look out of open windows and play at window sills.

In Iowa, lead-based paint chips and dust found between the inside window sash and the screen/storm window cause many cases of childhood lead poisoning.

Many original windows in homes built before 1960 have peeling or chipping lead-based paint in this area.



What are the Signs of Lead Poisoning in Children?

Most lead-poisoned children do not show any signs of the disease.

Some, however, may have the following symptoms:

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	coordination			
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U	Not able to pay	Stomach aches
	attention	

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0	Decreased muscle and bone growth	Hearing damage

Lead-poisoned children may have learning and behavior problems as they grow older.

Children with very high lead levels may develop seizures, become unconscious, or even die.

Lead poisoning is especially dangerous to children because:

- Young children's bodies absorb more lead than older children and adults.
- Young children can easily be damaged by even small amounts of lead.



What are the Effects of Lead Poisoning?

No amount of lead in your blood is a healthy amount.

In children, lead poisoning can cause:

- ☐ Damage to the brain and nervous system.
- ☐ Behavioral problems.
- ☐ Anemia.
- ☐ Liver and kidney damage.
- ☐ Hearing loss.
- Seizures.
- ☐ Hyperactivity.
- Developmental delays.
- ☐ In extreme cases, death.





Even children who appear healthy can have dangerous levels of lead in their bodies.

How Do Adults Become Lead-Poisoned?

Adults are lead-poisoned by breathing lead fumes and lead dust. They can also get lead dust on their hands, face and clothes

and swallow it if they eat, smoke, or apply cosmetics without washing their hands and face.

Most Iowa adults with elevated blood lead levels were exposed by working with lead. Lead is found in many types of work,



including metals refining, battery manufacturing, construction and demolition, commercial or residential renovation, repair and painting, scrap metal and electronics recycling, radiator repair, road and bridge work, and manufacturing equipment containing metals.



Some adults have been lead-poisoned doing renovation, painting, or repair work because they did not use lead-safe work practices (See pages 37-38).

Some adults are lead-poisoned by hobbies like target shooting, casting or reloading ammunition, stripping furniture, and art projects. Adults may also be exposed to lead if they use supplements or herbal products that are not regulated by the FDA.

Anything that produces lead dust or fumes can cause lead poisoning.



What are the Signs of Lead Poisoning in Adults?

Many lead-poisoned adults do not have symptoms but lead may still harm their health.

Some types of health problems adults with lead exposures may have:

- ☐ Trouble remembering and concentrating
- Depression



☐ Tire easily

- Muscular weakness and abdominal pain
- ☐ Headaches or irritability ☐ Mood disorders
- ☐ Unable to sleep ☐ High blood pressure



- Fertility problems (men and women)
- Digestive problems

Adults are more likely to have symptoms if their blood lead levels are very high or go up quickly. However, even low level or chronic lead exposure can cause health problems, or make existing problems worse. Be sure to talk to your medical provider if you are exposed to lead at work or at home. You may need regular blood lead testing to monitor your exposure. Visit: http://www.idph.state.ia.us/LPP/ABLES.aspx

Why Should Iowans Be Concerned About Lead Poisoning?



☐ Iowa's rate of lead poisoning is still a significant problem in Iowa.



☐ Homes with lead hazards exist in both rural and urban areas.



☐ Roughly 70 percent of the homes in Iowa were built before 1978.



☐ Roughly 45 percent of homes in Iowa were built before 1960.

Older homes, especially those built before 1960, are more likely to contain lead-based paint and lead-based hazards



How Can You Find Out If You Or Your Children Are Lead-Poisoned?

The only way to tell if a person is lead-poisoned is to get a blood lead test.

All Iowa children under the age of 6 years should be tested regularly for lead poisoning.



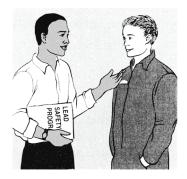


A blood lead test is required for children who are enrolled in Medicaid.

Ask your health care provider to do a blood lead test whenever your child has a check-up.

Many children have normal blood lead levels at 6-12 months of age. However, these same children may become lead-poisoned when they are older and more active. So, it's important to get their blood lead tested at least once a year until they are 6 years old.





If you work with lead on the job, your employer may be required to provide blood lead testing or you may ask your family doctor to order a blood lead test. Consider getting tested if you have recently remodeled or removed paint in an older home. See the IDPH Adult Lead website for more information: www.idph.state.ia.us/LPP/ABLES.aspx

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LEAD-BASED PAINT AND LEAD-BASED PAINT HAZARDS

The federal government banned the use of lead-based paint in housing in 1978.

Any home or child-occupied facility built before 1978 can have lead-based paint in it.

This includes homes in the city and the country. It also includes multi-family homes, apartments, private housing, and publicly-owned housing.

In Iowa, most children who are lead-poisoned have lived in or visited homes built before 1960.

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This is because pre-1960 homes usually have more layers of lead-based paint than newer homes.

Also, paint that was used before 1960 usually contained more lead than paint used after 1960.

Homes built before 1960 are more likely to have peeling and chipping lead-based paint.

In Iowa homes, many interior and exterior wood surfaces that were painted before 1960 have lead-based paint on them.

This includes windows, baseboards, doors, exterior siding, and porches.



Some, although not all, interior walls in pre-1960 homes were painted with lead-based paint.

Kitchen and bathroom walls are the most likely to have lead-based paint on them.

Old garages, farm buildings, and fences may also be painted with lead-based paint.



Soil around older homes often has high levels of lead. Avoid vegetable gardens near the drip line of old houses. This is because lead-based paint from the exterior gets in the soil when it peels and chips or when it is scraped.



In very large urban areas of the United States, soil sometimes contains high levels of lead from past use of leaded gas in cars.

In Iowa, most lead in the soil around older homes comes from lead-based paint.

When is Lead-Based Paint a Hazard?

Lead-based paint that is peeling, chipping, chalking, cracking, or otherwise deteriorating is a hazard to small children.

Lead-based paint in good condition may be a hazard on:

Surfaces children can chew on (window sills, stair railings, porch railings).





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Surfaces where paint is often damaged by hard impacts (doors, door frames, corners).





☐ Surfaces where paint is worn by being walked on such as floors and stairs can be a lead hazard.

Lead dust may be on the floors and other surfaces if there has been any remodeling or repainting in your home recently.



Lead in soil is a hazard when children play in areas of bare soil next to old buildings.

Areas of bare soil where buildings have been torn down are also a hazard to children.

CHECKING YOUR HOME FOR LEAD-BASED PAINT HAZARDS



In Iowa, if your child has a blood lead level of 20 μg/dL or higher then your local health or housing agency or the state health department will come to your home and help you find lead hazards.

- ☐ Some jurisdictions may perform inspections at lower levels. Check with your local health or housing agency for more details.
- You can hire a certified inspector/risk assessor. In Iowa, certified inspector/risk assessors must check surfaces for lead, tell homeowners if surfaces with lead-based paint are a hazard, and recommend how to address these hazards. Contact the Iowa Department of Public Health at 800-972-2026 to get a list of certified inspectors/risk assessors or visit the website at: http://www.idph.state.ia.us/LPP/Certification.aspx.

Use the self-help checklist on pages 19 to 27 in this booklet to decide if your home might have lead hazards.



If you are planning to purchase, lease, or renovate a home built before 1978, consider having the home checked for lead based paint and lead-based paint hazards.



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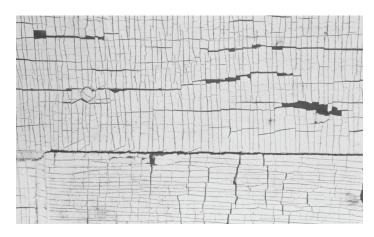
Finding the Lead-based Paint Hazards In and Around Your Home

You should assume that all of the paint, stain, or other coatings in your home contain lead unless you live in a home built after 1978.

Look for paint, stain, or other coatings that are:

- Loose.
- Cracked or chipping.
- Peeling or flaking.
- Rubbing off.
- Deteriorating in any way.

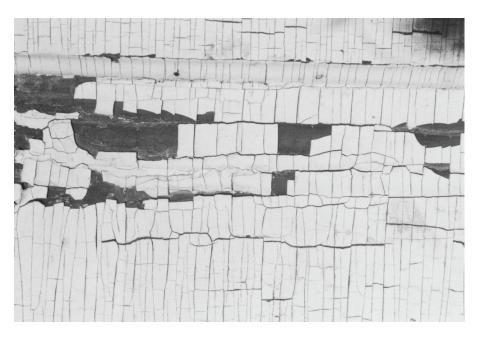
These are **HAZARDS** that can cause lead poisoning.



When paint chips off these surfaces, all layers of paint usually come off together. This is a **HAZARD** that can cause lead poisoning because the bottom layers of paint may contain lead - even if the surface has been repainted with lead-free paint.

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Paint that has an "alligator" cracking pattern or rubs off on your hands (chalks) is usually lead-based paint. Cracked or chalking paint is a **HAZARD** that can cause lead poisoning.



Old varnish that looks cloudy may contain lead. Lead-based paint was often mixed with varnish to give it a deeper, richer color. If the finish is cracked or peeling, old varnish is a **HAZARD** that can cause lead poisoning.

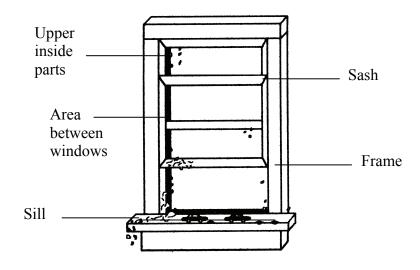
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Use pages 21 to 27 to look for lead hazards in your home. Mark the **HAZARD** box when you find a problem.

Window Hazards

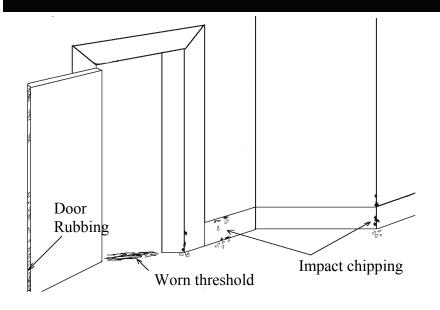
Many Iowa children are lead-poisoned by windows.



These are **HAZARDS** that can cause lead poisoning.

Window Check List:

Frame		Safe		HAZARD
Sash (front and back)		Safe		HAZARD
Sill		Safe		HAZARD
Area between windows: Bottom	0	Safe	0	HAZARD
Sides		Safe		HAZARD
Тор		Safe		HAZARD
Upper inside parts		Safe		HAZARD
Signs of chewing		Safe		HAZARD



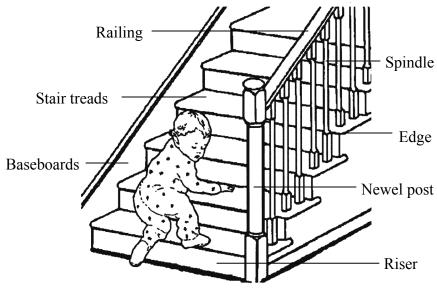
Check all surfaces for chipping and peeling paint. Look for paint chips on the floor and in the carpet. Look for impact chipping at corners of door frame, baseboard, and walls. Look for rub or scrape marks on door edges.

These are **HAZARDS** that can cause lead poisoning.

Woodwork, Wall & Door Check List:

Doors	Safe	HAZARD
Door frames	Safe	HAZARD
Baseboards	Safe	HAZARD
Wall corners	Safe	HAZARD
Doorway thresholds	Safe	HAZARD

Stair Hazards



Children love to play or just sit on stairs.

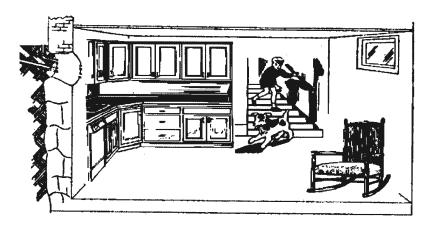
Check all areas for chipping, peeling, etc. paint. Look for chewing on spindles, railing, stair treads & edges. Check risers, baseboards, and stair treads for impact chipping. Look for worn areas on treads.

These are **HAZARDS** that can cause lead poisoning.

Stairs Check List:

Railing and spindles		Safe		HAZARD
Newel post		Safe		HAZARD
Stair treads and edges		Safe		HAZARD
Risers and baseboards	П	Safe	П	HAZARD

Basement Hazards



Check all surfaces for peeling and chipping paint. Look for impact chipping and worn areas.

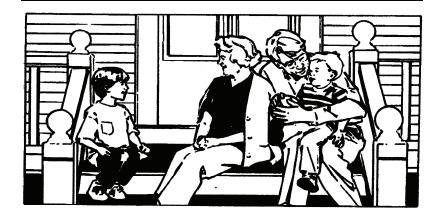
Check old furniture and toys in storage.

These are **HAZARDS** that can cause lead poisoning.

Basement Check List:

Basement stairwell	Safe	HAZARD
Upper floor joists & ceiling	Safe	HAZARD
Doors & door frames	Safe	HAZARD
Painted walls & floors	Safe	HAZARD
Discarded wood trim	Safe	HAZARD
Built-in cabinets, shelves, trim	Safe	HAZARD
Painted beams & support posts	Safe	HAZARD
Discarded furniture and toys	Safe	HAZARD

Porch Hazards



Children like to sit and play on porches. Children can get into lead-based paint chips and dust if the porch and house siding have been painted with lead-based paint.

Check ALL the areas listed below for chipping or peeling paint. Look for chewing on trim, steps, railings, and spindles. Look for worn areas on painted floors.

These are **HAZARDS** that can cause lead poisoning.

Porch Check List: Safe HAZARD Ceiling Safe **HAZARD** Walls Safe HAZARD Trim Safe HAZARD Floors Safe HAZARD Steps Safe HAZARD Railings Safe **□** HAZARD

Exterior Hazards



Look for chipping and peeling paint on all surfaces. Be sure to check all exterior window frames (including basement windows) and overhangs.

Look for paint chips lying on the ground or sidewalk around all buildings on the property.

These are **HAZARDS** that can cause lead poisoning.

Exterior Building Check List:

Siding	Safe	
Window Frames	Safe	☐ HAZARD
Trim	Safe	☐ HAZARD
Overhangs	Safe	HAZARD
Doors	Safe	HAZARD
Gutters	Safe	HAZARD
Soil & sidewalks	Safe	

Outside Play Area Hazards

Check all the places where your children play outside.

Look closely for chipping or peeling paint on nearby buildings.

Look for paint chips in the soil or on sidewalks

Check for bare soil in play areas. Any bare soil near an old building may contain lead-based paint chips and dust

- even if the building has been sided, repainted, or torn down.



These are **HAZARDS** that may cause lead poisoning.

Play Area Check List:

Gym set	Safe	☐ HAZARD
Sand box	Safe	
Swimming pool	Safe	
Other areas	Safe	☐ HAZARD

How Can You Safely Reduce Lead Hazards in Your Pre-1978 Home?

If the property **is not owner occupied** then the renovation or repair work must be completed by a certified lead professional.

Certified Lead Professionals can help identify, repair, or eliminate lead-based paint and lead-based hazards.



Any person that deals with lead-based paint must be certified.

Certified lead professionals must hire trained workers and follow strict safety rules to protect their workers and people who live in the homes where they work.



(Read more about the safety rules on pages 37 and 38.)

PROTECTING YOUR FAMILY FROM LEAD-BASED PAINT HAZARDS

If you find hazards in your home:

- Do not panic!
- If you rent, tell your landlord about the hazards that you find. Any hazards that are found must be fixed by a certified lead professional.
- If you own, do **NOT** sand, scrape, or remove any paint, walls, windows, or plaster until you know how to do it safely. Call the Iowa Department of Public Health at 800-972-2026 to find out how to do this work safely.



- Have all children under the age of 6 years tested for lead poisoning.
- Supervise your children very carefully. Keep them away from areas where there is peeling and chipping paint.
- Do not allow children to chew on painted surfaces such as window sills, stair rails, furniture, jewelry or toys.
- Do not allow children to put paint chips or soil in their mouths.





Weekly, clean floors, baseboards and window sills where small children play. Wash woodwork and painted surfaces with warm water and a general all-purpose cleaner.

Remember: Never mix ammonia and bleach together since they form a dangerous gas.

- ☐ Wash toys, pacifiers, and bottles that children drop on the floor.
- Wash children's hands often, especially before they eat.

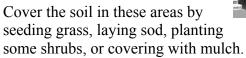




Pick up paint chips that you see on the floor, inside windows, or in other places where your children play.

> Put the paint chips in a garbage bag and dispose of them in the landfill with your regular garbage.

Do not let children play outside in areas where there are paint chips on the ground. Pick up as many of the paint chips as you can.





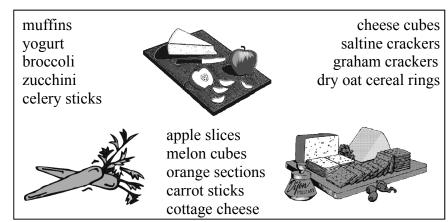
☐ Serve your child at least 3 meals a day.

A child with an empty stomach absorbs more lead. Children who have poor appetites, or who do not eat regularly, have a higher risk of becoming lead poisoned.



☐ Serve your child healthy snacks.

HEALTHY SNACKS



Serve your child food that are high in Vitamin C. Vitamin C helps the body absorb more iron.

VITAMIN C SOURCES

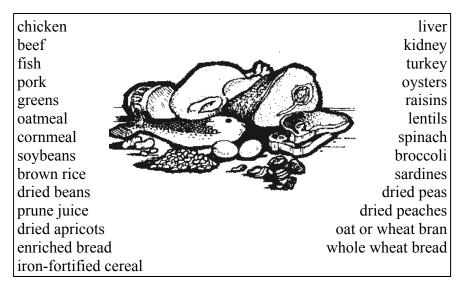
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orange juice grapefruit cantaloupe strawberries



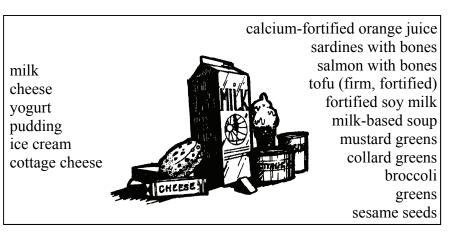
peppers (green, red, chili) broccoli tomato potatoes Serve your child foods that are high in calcium and iron. Iron helps stop the lead from being absorbed into the body.

IRON SOURCES



Calcium also helps prevent lead from being absorbed into the body.

CALCIUM SOURCES



KEEPING YOUR FAMILY SAFE DURING RENOVATION

If you are going to prepare for repainting, removing paint, or tearing out walls in an old home, you should do one of the following:

- ☐ Have the paint tested to see if it is lead-based paint.
 - 1.) Hire a certified lead inspector to safely and accurately assess the lead dangers in your home. You can find a list of certified lead inspectors on the IDPH website at: http://www.idph.state.ia.us/LPP/Certification.aspx
- Assume that it is lead-based paint and take the appropriate precautions*.
 - 1.) Never dry scrape, dry sand, power sand, power wash, grind, or blast with power tools and equipment not equipped with a shroud and HEPA vacuum attachment. Do not use a torch, needle gun, planer, or use a high temperature heat gun to remove lead-based paint.
 - 2.) Clean up thoroughly every day. Dispose of waste in a heavy duty bag or sheet.
 - *NOTE: Only owner-occupants can perform renovation, remodeling, and repainting without certification.

Contact the Iowa Department of Public Health (IDPH) at 800-972-2026 to find out how to do this work safely. IDPH also has information about how to find a certified lead professional that will do the work safely.

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Your Responsibility as a **Property Owner**

You have the ultimate responsibility for the safety of your family, tenants, or children in your care.

This means properly preparing for the renovation and keeping persons out of the work area (<u>refer to pg. 36</u>). It also means ensuring the lead professional uses lead-safe work practices.



Make sure your lead professional is certified, can explain clearly the details of the job, and how the lead professional will minimize lead hazards during the work.

- You can verify that a lead professional is certified by calling the Iowa Department of Public Health Lead at **800-972-2026** or by visiting the IDPH's website at: http://www.idph.state.ia.us/LPP/Certification.aspx
- Ask if the lead professional is trained to perform lead-safe work practices and to see a copy of their certification.
- Ask them what lead-safe methods they will use to set up and perform the job in your home or child-occupied facility. You can also request to see references from at least three recent jobs involving homes built before 1978, and speak to each personally.

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Always make sure the contract is clear about how the work will be set up, performed, and cleaned.

Share the results of any previous lead tests with the

You should specify in the contract that they follow the work practices described on pages 37-38 of this booklet. The contract should specify which parts of your home are part of the work area and specify which lead-safe practices will be used in those areas. Remember, your certified lead professional should confine dust and debris to the work area and should minimize spreading that dust to other areas of the home. The contract should also specify that the certified lead professional will clean the work area, verify that it was

If you think a worker is not doing what he or she is supposed to do or is doing something unsafe, you should:

cleaned adequately, and re-clean it if necessary.

0	Direct the certified lead professional to comply with
	regulatory and contract requirements.

Call the Iowa Department of Public Health Lead at 800-972-2026.

Preparing for a Renovation

The work area should not be accessible to occupants while the work occurs.

Your family should plan accordingly if rooms or areas where work is being done may be blocked off or sealed with plastic sheeting to contain any dust that is generated. You may need:

Alternative bedroom, bathroom, and kitchen arrangements if
work is occurring in those areas of your home.

A safe place for pets because they too can be poisoned by
lead and can track lead dust into other areas of the home.

- A separate pathway for the lead professional from the work area to the outside in order to bring materials in and out of the home. Ideally, it should not be through the same entrance that your family uses.
- A place to store your furniture. All furniture and belongings may have to be moved from the work area while the work is being done. Items that can't be moved, such as cabinets, should be wrapped in plastic.
- To turn off forced-air heating and air conditioning systems while the work is being done. This prevents dust from spreading through vents from the work area to the rest of your home.

You may even want to move out of your home temporarily while all or parts of the work is being done. Child care facilities and schools may want to consider alternative accommodations for children and access to necessary facilities.

During the Renovation Work

Iowa law requires lead professionals to be certified and to follow specific work practices to prevent lead contamination when hired to perform renovation, repair, and painting projects that may disturb paint in homes or child-occupied facilities built before 1978.

A lead professional must follow these three simple procedures:

1. Contain the work area.

The area must be contained so that dust and debris do not escape from that area. Warning signs must be put up and plastic or other impermeable material and tape must be used as appropriate to:

- Cover the floors and any furniture that cannot be moved.
- Seal off doors and heating and cooling systems.
- ☐ For exterior renovations, cover the ground.
- In some instances, a vertical containment system may be necessary.

WARNING LEAD WORK AREA

POISON —
NO SMOKING
OR EATING

2. Avoid renovation methods that generate large amounts of lead-contaminated dust.

Some methods generate so much lead-contaminated dust that their use is prohibited. They are:

Open flame burning or torching.

Uncontained water blasting.

Using a heat gun at temperatures greater than 1100°F.

Dry sanding and dry scraping.

Sanding, grinding, planing, needle gunning, or blasting with power tools and equipment not equipped with a shroud and HEPA vacuum attachment.

There is no way to eliminate dust, but some renovation methods make less dust than others. Lead professionals may choose to use various methods to minimize dust generation, including using water to mist areas before sanding or scraping; scoring paint before separating components; and prying and pulling apart components instead of breaking them.

3. Clean up thoroughly.

The work area should be cleaned up daily to keep it as clean as possible. When all the work is done, the area must be cleaned up using special cleaning methods before taking down any plastic that isolates the work area from the rest of the home.

The special cleaning methods should include:

- Using a HEPA vacuum to clean up dust and debris on all surfaces, followed by
- Wet wiping and wet mopping with plenty of rinse water.

After the Renovation Work

Iowa law requires cleaning verification.

Iowa's rules for lead-safe renovation requires lead professionals to follow a specific cleaning protocol.

The protocol requires the lead professional to use disposable cleaning cloths to wipe the floor and other surfaces of the work area and compare these cloths to a cleaning verification card to determine if the work area was adequately cleaned.

You may also be interested in having a lead-dust test done at the completion of the renovation work Lead-dust tests are wipe samples sent to a laboratory for analysis. You will get a report specifying the levels of lead found after the renovation work is completed.



Contact the National Lead Information Center for more information including lists of EPA-recognized testing laboratories (refer to page 46). If you decide you would like a lead professional to do the lead-dust test, specify this desire in your contract, prior to the start of work. To locate a lead professional who will perform an evaluation near you, visit the IDPH's website at:

http://www.idph.state.ia.us/LPP/Certification.aspx

OTHER SOURCES OF LEAD

Iowa children have also been poisoned by other sources of lead.



- Food and liquids cooked in lead-glazed pottery or stored in lead crystal or lead-glazed pottery or porcelain.
- Lead in soil around a battery plant or battery recycling plant.
- Home remedies that contain lead such as azarcon and Greta. For more information: www.cdc.gov/nceh/lead/tips/folkmedicine.htm



- Candy that comes from Mexico or southeast Asia.
- Toys or jewelry that contain lead or have lead in the surface paint design.
- A history or living in or visiting places with a higher concentration of lead in the environment. Many countries have more lead exposure from the environment than the United States

Although some Iowa children have been lead-poisoned by these sources, the major source is still <u>lead-based</u> <u>paint</u> used in homes built before 1960.



Is Lead in Water a Problem for Your Family?

City and rural water departments must test their water for lead. If the lead level is high, they must send a notice to their customers. If you get one of these notices, you may be concerned.



However, lead in drinking water is not a major source of lead for most children.

Lead in water <u>may</u> cause lead poisoning in babies who drink formula made with water that has high lead levels



This usually happens when formula is made using tap water. The water can pick up lead from pipes, solder, or faucets when it sits in pipes overnight.

Therefore, tap water may have a high lead level first thing in the morning.

Hot water dissolves more lead than cold water. So, formula made with this hot tap water can have **very** high lead levels. Boiling does not take lead out of the water. In fact, boiling the water so long that part of the water boils away **increases** the concentration of lead in the remaining water.



Lead in water comes mainly from inside your home.

It can be in lead pipes, lead solder, or faucets with brass parts.

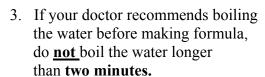
Do not replace faucets or plumbing just because your water has a high lead level. New faucets may put more lead into your water.

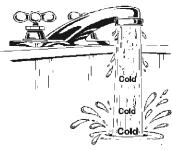


Replacing old lead solder with new lead-free solder may also put more lead into your water. If you replace solder, be sure to get <u>all</u> the old solder out of the pipes.

If you use tap water to make baby formula, do the following to keep your baby safe:

- 1. Let the cold water run for several minutes before using it to make formula.
- 2. **Do NOT use hot tap water to make formula.** Always use cold water and warm it to the right temperature.







If you would like to test your water for lead, contact the:

State Hygienic Laboratory at the University of Iowa 515-725-1600

http://www.shl.uiowa.edu/



Is Working with Lead a Problem for Your Family?

If you work with lead in your job or hobby, you can expose your children by bringing lead home.



Some employers are required to ensure that workers do the following to protect their families from lead:



- Change into work clothes and shoes after getting to work.
- Put street clothes and shoes in a clean locker or clean plastic bag.
- Remove work clothes and shoes before going home.
- Shower before putting on street clothes and shoes

Some employers are <u>not</u> required to provide a shower and changing room. If your employer does not provide these things, or if you work with lead in a hobby, try to do these recommendations:

Make a special changing area at home. This could be in the garage or basement.

Change in this area and shower before touching anyone or anything in the house.





- Remove work clothes before leaving the changing area.
- Keep all work clothes away from children.

If you need to wash work clothes, do the following:

Take work clothes home in a plastic bag and wet the clothes before removing them from the bag.

Throw away the bag used to carry the work clothes home.

Wash work clothes separately from any other clothes.



MORE INFORMATION



Iowa

Iowa Department of Public Health

800-972-2026

Call for current information about lead in Iowa and copies of this booklet.

Hearing impaired, call TDD 800-735-2942

Fax: 515-281-4529

Your local city or county lead program, health department, or housing agency. (Some cities and counties have their own rules on lead-based paint activities.)



The National Lead Information Center

800-LEAD-FYI

Call to learn how to protect children from lead poisoning.

The National Lead Information Center Clearinghouse

800-424-LEAD (5323)

Call for other information on lead hazards.

Hearing impaired, call TDD 800-526-5456

Fax: 301-585-7976

Internet: www.epa.gov/lead/nlic.htm

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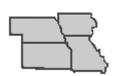


EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline 800-426-4791 Call for information about lead in drinking water.

Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) Hotline

To request information on lead in consumer products or to report an unsafe consumer product or a product-related injury, call 800-638-2772. (Internet : info@cpsc.gov) Hearing impaired, call TDD 1-800-638-8270.

Regional



EPA Regional Office

Your Regional EPA Office can provide further information regarding regulations and lead protection programs.

Region 7

(Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, and Nebraska) 11201 Renner Blvd. Lenexa, KS 66219

(913) 551-7003

CPSC Regional Office Consumer Product Safety Commission Central Regional Center 230 South Dearborn Street Room 2944 Chicago, IL 60604-1601 (312) 353-8260

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The National Lead Information Center can provide a variety of resource materials, including the following guides to lead-safe work practices.

Steps to Lead Safe Renovation, Repair and Painting

☐ Protect Your Family from Lead in Your Home

Lead in Your Home: A Parent's Reference Guide

These materials are available by calling **800-424-LEAD (5323)** or online at:

http://www2.epa.gov/lead/documents-and-outreach-materials

The Iowa Department of Public Health Lead Poisoning Prevention website also has downloadable copies of each of the following resources:



I Lead Poisoning: How to Protect Iowa Families

Your Child's Venous Blood Lead Level and What it Means

Your Child's Capillary Blood Lead Level and What it Means

Lead Poisoning: Has your Child Been Tested?

http://www.idph.state.ia.us/LPP/Resources.aspx



Iowa Department of Public Health

Lead Poisoning Prevention Program
Lucas State Office Building
Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075
(800) 972-2026



NOTICE TO RESIDENTS FOR WORK DONE IN COMMON AREAS OF MULTI-FAMILY HOUSING OR CHILD-OCCUPIED FACILTIES

NOTIFICATION PRIOR TO RENOVATION, REMODELING, OR REPAINTING CHECK ONE BELOW

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NOTICE TO OWNER FOR WORK DONE IN COMMON AREAS OF MULTI-FAMILY HOUSING OR CHILD-OCCUPIED FACILTIES

NOTIFICATION PRIOR TO RENOVATION, REMODELING, OR REPAINTING

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EMERGENCY RENOVATION, REMODELING, AND REPAINTING WORK DONE IN A SINGLE DWELLING UNIT OR CHILD-OCCUPIED FACILITY

NOTIFICATION PRIOR TO RENOVATION, REMODELING, OR REPAINTING

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Home Purchase -- Disclosure of Information on Lead-Based Paint and/or Lead-Based Paint Hazards

Lead Warning Statement

Every purchaser of any interest in residential real property on which a residential dwelling was built prior to 1978 is notified that such property may present exposure to lead from lead-based paint that may place young children at risk of developing lead poisoning. Lead poisoning in young children may produce permanent neurological damage, including learning disabilities, reduced intelligence quotient, behavioral problems, and impaired memory. Lead poisoning also poses a particular risk to pregnant women. The seller of any interest in residential real property is required to provide the buyer with any information on lead-based paint hazards from risk assessments or inspections in the sollers passession and notify the buyer of any known lead-based paint hazards. A risk assessment or inspection for possible in the seller's possession and notify the buyer of any known lead-based paint hazards. A risk assessment or inspection for possible lead-based paint hazards is recommended prior to purchase.

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(i)	Known lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards are present in the housing (explain).				
(ii)	Seller has no kr	nowledge of lead-bas	ed paint and	l/or lead-based paint hazards	in the housing.
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(c)	Purchaser has	received copies of all	information I	isted above.	
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Home Rental -- Disclosure of Information on Lead-Based Paint and/or Lead-Based Paint Hazards

Lead Warning Statement

Housing built before 1978 may contain lead-based paint. Lead from paint, paint chips, and dust can pose health hazards if not managed properly. Lead exposure is especially harmful to young children and pregnant women. Before renting pre-1978 housing, lessors must disclose the presence of known lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the dwelling. Lessees must also receive a federally approved pamphlet on lead poisoning prevention.

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(ii)Lessor has	no knowledge of lead	d-based paint and/or lead-based paint h	azards in the housing.
(b) Records and reports	available to the lesso	or (check (i) or (ii) below):	
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(ii)Lessor has hazards in the house	•	s pertaining to lead-based paint and/or lea	ad-based paint
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Instructions for Property Management Company: If authorized to sign for Landlord, sign and print name, followed by "For [Landlord's name or Name of Company], and then also sign as the Agent.