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EHS Circular Letter 2022-56

DATE: September 20, 2022

TO: Directors of Health, Lead Inspector/Risk Assessor Code Enforcement Officials, Licensed Lead Consultants, Licensed Lead Abatement Contractors, Licensed Training Providers

FROM: Kimberly Ploszaj, Supervising Environmental Analyst, Lead Poisoning Prevention Program

RE: EPA required changes for dust hazards and dust clearance levels

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has adopted 2020 Revised Dust-Lead Hazard Levels and the 2021 Revised Dust-Lead Clearance Levels under 84 FR 32632 and 86 FR 983. The CT Department of Public Health (DPH) must adopt this standard by revising our regulations. This process will take about a year. EPA has approved an implementation plan, which includes steps and milestones to achieve adoption of the revised standards and activities that will be performed in the interim to increase awareness and compliance with the new standards.

Dust Level Changes:

	Floor	Sill	Well
Post-Abatement Clearance Dust Standards	< 10 µg/ft² (was 40)	< 100 µg/ft² (was 250)	< 400 µg/ft ² (no change)
Risk Assessment Dust Hazards Standards	> 10 µg/ft² (was 40)	> 100 µg/ft² (was 250)	n/a

DPH is planning a series of webinars for regulated entities. Starting in September DPH will hold sessions so those involved in lead consulting and lead abatement work will know when these new dust lead standards apply. These new standards have been in place for HUD Lead Hazard Reduction funded related work since February 16, 2017.



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Webinars will be held on the following dates:

Lead Consultants and HUD Lead Hazard Reduction Funding Recipients – September 29, 2022, at 10:00 am

Lead Training Providers – September 29, 2022, at 12:00 pm

Lead Abatement Contractors – September 30, 2022, at 10:00 am

Local Health Departments – September 30, 2022, at 11:00 am

Until Connecticut officially adopts the new EPA standards, the new levels will apply to local health departments certified Lead Inspector/Risk Assessors, Lead Consultants, Lead Abatement Contractors and Training Providers. Projects that are subject to the revised standards which may include but are not limited to federally funded projects such as HUD (lead hazard reduction funding, CDBG funding) or ARPA funded projects, DOH funded projects and any other project that is contractually required to meet the new standards.

If you have any questions, please contact Kimberly Ploszaj at (860) 509-7959.

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