



Contractor name \_\_\_\_\_

CT HIC # \_\_\_\_\_ EPA RRP firm # \_\_\_\_\_

Certified renovator RRP\* training certificate # \_\_\_\_\_

Property address \_\_\_\_\_

If your home was built before 1978, it may contain dangerous lead paint

## Hire a certified lead-safe contractor when you renovate, repair, or paint

### Why hire a lead-safe contractor?

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| <b>1. To protect your family from lead poisoning</b>                          | 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 |
| <b>2. To protect yourself from lead poisoning</b>                             | Lead can harm an adult’s nervous system, increase blood pressure, and cause muscle weakness, abdominal pain, and reproductive problems in men and women   |
| <b>3. To keep your home safe</b>  | Maintain the safety and value of your home by keeping it from becoming a lead hazard  |
| <b>4. To use a contractor who cares about your family’s health and safety</b> | A certified contractor has taken the trouble to get approved training in how to work lead-safe  |
| <b>5. To use a contractor who obeys the law*</b>                              | Contractors who violate the law may be subject to large fines   |

\*U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s Renovation, Repair, and Painting Rule (RRP)

### **Renovate Right**

Before work begins on most renovation projects in homes built before 1978, a contractor **must** give the property owner a copy of EPA’s *Renovate Right* pamphlet.

**Property owner:** By signing below, you state that (1) you received a copy of *Renovate Right*, EPA’s lead-hazard pamphlet informing you of the potential risk of lead exposure from renovation activity to be performed in your home, and (2) you received this pamphlet before the work began.

Print your name: \_\_\_\_\_

Sign your name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

The contractor named below agrees to follow the lead-safe work practices **described on the next page** to protect you, your family, and your community from lead poisoning, and to protect your property from contamination.

Contractor’s name (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Contractor’s signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



## What will a lead-safe contractor do?

If a test shows that lead paint is present, or if no testing is done and the contractor therefore must assume that lead paint is present, the contractor will use the lead-safe work practices listed below. These practices help to avoid creating and spreading dangerous lead dust.

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

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Set up the work area to prevent the spread of lead dust                   | <i>Indoors</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> Post warning signs at all entrances</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Remove all moveable items</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Cover items that are not removable</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Close and cover air vents</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Close windows</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Close and seal doors not needed for work; cover doors needed for work</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Cover floors with taped-down plastic sheeting</li></ul> <i>Outdoors</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> Close windows and doors within 20 feet of work area</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Cover ground with plastic sheeting 10 feet from work area</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Set up vertical containment if necessary</li></ul> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Protect workers   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> Workers wear protective gear: safety goggles, respirator, and disposable coveralls, gloves, hat, and shoe covers</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> No smoking, eating, or drinking in the work area</li></ul>  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Create as little dust as possible, and keep all dust within the work area | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> Except around electrical outlets, mist areas before sanding, scraping, drilling, and cutting</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Use precautions to avoid tracking dust and debris outside the work area</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>No</b> open-flame burning, high-heat guns, or power tools unless specially designed to be lead-safe</li></ul>   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clean up safely at the end of each day and after the work is completed    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> Pick up paint chips and debris</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Mist, fold inward, and roll up plastic sheeting; tape to keep closed</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Use HEPA vacuum and damp cloths or wet mops to clean all surfaces</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Store waste securely until it can be removed safely</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Dispose of all waste in accordance with federal, state, and local rules</li></ul>   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Check the work to make sure that no lead dust remains                     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> For outdoor work: Conduct visual inspection</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> For indoor work: Conduct visual inspection and use additional approved methods to make sure the area is clean</li></ul>  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Train his or her workers to work lead-safe, and supervise their work      |  |

Firms certified as lead-safe by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency are listed at

[http://cfpub.epa.gov/flpp/searchrrp\\_firm.htm](http://cfpub.epa.gov/flpp/searchrrp_firm.htm).

To learn more about EPA's Renovation, Repair, and Painting Rule (RRP), visit [www.epa.gov/lead](http://www.epa.gov/lead).

Connecticut Department of Public Health | [www.ct.gov/dph/lead](http://www.ct.gov/dph/lead) or [www.ct.gov/dph/healthyhomes](http://www.ct.gov/dph/healthyhomes)

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