

Are you giving INFORMATION about LEAD-BASED PAINT before beginning RENOVATION?

Iowa law requires you to give information to the owner and occupant in homes built before 1978. You must do this before you renovate, remodel, or repaint.

Why is This Required?

- Childhood lead poisoning is a disease that occurs when children have too much lead in their bodies. Childhood lead poisoning can be prevented.
- Lead poisoning is usually caused by lead-based paint used in homes built before 1960. About 60% of the homes in Iowa were built before 1960.
- Children can be poisoned when lead-based paint is disturbed by renovation, remodeling, or repainting.



Who Must Follow the Iowa Law?

Anyone who is paid for work that disturbs paint in housing built before 1978. This includes:

- General contractors.
- Painters, plumbers, carpenters, and electricians.
- Rental property owners, managers, and maintenance staff.
- Anyone else whose work disturbs paint.

What Does the Law Require?

You must give the following to the owner and/or occupant of pre-1978 housing before starting work:

- Information that describes the type of work you will do.
- The pamphlet, Lead Poisoning: How to Protect Iowa Families.

Where Can I Get More Information?

To find out more about the rule or to obtain copies of the pamphlet and/or the notification forms:

- Call 1-800-972-2026.
- Visit the Bureau of Lead Poisoning Prevention on the web at **www.idph.state.ia.us**.

