



Protect You & Yours From Lead

Reduce your exposure to lead before and during renovation, repair, or painting in your home.



If you are living in a home that was built before 1978, it may contain lead-based paint. Lead exposure can lead to health issues, especially in young children. Take some precautions before you begin any home improvement projects, and during the projects as well, to stay safe and temporarily reduce lead exposure.

THE FOLLOWING CHECKLIST CONTAINS SUGGESTED WAYS TO KEEP YOU AND YOUR CHILDREN SAFE FROM POTENTIAL LEAD EXPOSURE:

Take shoes off at the door.

Increase handwashing with soap and water; try to discourage "hand-to-mouth" behavior where possible.

"Wet" clean with buckets, rags, and warm soapy water; avoid the use of a broom and vacuum so you don't disrupt lead dust and bring it into the air.

Clean walls starting at the ceiling and working down to the floor by wiping with a damp cloth.

Stay away from windows with chipping/peeling paint; block them with furniture so there is no access for small children.

Do not let child(ren) play in the area with chipping/peeling paint inside of the home or outside of the home (e.g., do not let children play in soil near outdoor structures, such as a barn, garage, porch, or fence, etc.).

