



**TOWN OF WESTBROOK
HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

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Re: RRP Guidelines

ATTENTION BUILDERS & CONTRACTORS!

The Lead-Based Paint Renovation, Repair and Painting Program (RRP) is a federal regulatory program affecting contractors. The program requires workers to be trained to use lead safe work practices and requires renovation firms to be EPA-certified, these requirements became fully effective April 22, 2010. This federal law applies to contractors that disturb painted surfaces in homes, child care facilities and schools, built before 1978.

In an effort to keep our community safe, the Westbrook Health Department in collaboration with the Building Department will be enforcing the EPA's Lead Based Paint, Renovation, and Painting Program law beginning on **February 1, 2016**.

Beginning on **February 1, 2016**, when contractors apply for pre-1978 building permits, it will be required that they provide proof of proper certifications in order to receive a permit.

For contractors who do not currently comply, we will be providing two EPA-RRP training opportunities before February 1, 2016.

Details of the law can be found on EPA's website at www.epa.gov/lead/pubs/renovation.htm.

RRP classes are scheduled in January to be held at Westbrook Town Hall at a minimal cost (\$10.00-\$15.00). An initial training session is scheduled for Wednesday January 6, 2016 from 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM and a refresher course on Thursday January 7, 2016 from 8:00 AM -12 noon.

Please see the attached flyer for details.

If you have any questions please contact, Robin Donofrio, Health Department at 860.399.3047 ext. 128 or email rdonofrio@westbrookct.us

Thank you for your support and cooperation.

Sonia Marino MPH, RS

Director of Health



Contractors, trades people, landlords Are you certified by EPA?

Effective April 22, 2010

- Contractors and other paid workers must follow specific practices to work lead-safe
- Individual contractors or their firms must be certified by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

EPA's Renovation, Repair & Painting (RRP) rule applies if you are

working in most homes, apartments, childcare
facilities, or schools built before 1978 **and**

disturbing paint
and

Includes most repairs, remodeling, painting, maintenance, window replacement, weatherization, demolition, and similar projects

being paid to do
such work

Includes contractors, painters, landlords, property managers, maintenance workers, and other trades people

Learn more

- Visit the EPA website at www.epa.gov/lead
- Take an RRP class from an accredited training provider (listed on the EPA website)
- Call the National Lead Information Center at 1-800-424-LEAD (5323)
- Call the Connecticut Department of Public Health at 860-509-7299

This rule protects residents and workers from lead poisoning. Lead can permanently damage children's brains and nervous systems, causing lifelong learning and behavior problems. Lead can also seriously harm adults.

Don't Spread Lead Campaign

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