



## Wisconsin's Lead-Safe Renovation Rule, DHS 163

### Guidelines for Certified Lead Abatement Workers and Supervisors

The Wisconsin Department of Health Services is approved by the U.S. EPA to administer and enforce the Lead-Safe Renovation program in Wisconsin.

Safe renovation of old housing is the best way to protect Wisconsin children from lead poisoning. Renovators who are not trained in lead-safe work practices risk exposing themselves and occupants to lead at the job site and exposing their own families by bringing lead dust home on their work clothes.

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**The Law:** Renovation work is regulated when performed for compensation in a dwelling or child-occupied facility built before 1978 and the work disturbs 6 sq. ft. or more of paint per room, 20 sq. ft. or more of exterior paint, or involves windows.

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#### **Company Certification**

Companies conducting regulated renovation work must be certified. If your company is already a Wisconsin-certified Lead Company, you meet this requirement.

#### **Individual Certification**

A certified lead abatement worker or supervisor may choose one of the following options to comply with the Lead-Safe Renovator certification requirement:

Option 1 **Take your regular Lead Abatement Worker or Supervisor Refresher class.\***

These courses include the required lead-safe renovation information. Completing a refresher course will qualify you to conduct renovations. You do not need to apply for lead-safe renovator certification as long as you maintain your lead abatement certification.

Option 2 **Take a 1-day Lead-Safe Renovation Initial or 4-hour Lead-Safe Renovator Refresher class.\***

Completing this training qualifies you to conduct renovations without applying for Lead-Safe Renovator certification as long as you maintain your abatement certification.

Option 3 You may work on renovation projects without taking additional training *as long as* you work for a certified company and a certified Lead-Safe Renovator, or person who meets Option #1 or #2 qualifications, is in charge of the project.

Each renovation project must have a certified Lead-Safe Renovator in charge. Completing Options #1 or #2 qualify you to act as the certified Lead-Safe Renovator.

### **??? Have More Questions ???**

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