

Possible Effects of Lead Poisoning

- Lower IQ's
- Hyperactivity
- Damage to brain and nervous system
- Learning problems and delinquent behavior

For More Information

A note about Web site information: *If you do not have a computer, contact your local public or college library. Most libraries have free computers connected to the Internet.*

Contact these sources to learn more about lead and to get copies of the *Protect Your Family From Lead* pamphlet and the disclosure forms:

Alabama Cooperative Extension System

Call your county Extension office. Look in your telephone directory under your county's name to find the number.

www.aces.edu/lead

The National Lead Information Center

1-800-424-LEAD (5323)

Ask for publication EPA747-K-99-001.

www.epa.gov/lead and www.hud.gov/lead

For a list of certified lead risk assessors or inspectors:

Alabama Department of Public Health
Indoor Air Quality/Lead Branch

1-800-819-7644

www.adph.org/lead

For information on how to get your child tested for lead:

Contact your doctor or local county health department.

Alabama Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Project (ACLPPP)

1-334-206-2966

<http://www.adph.org/aclppp/>

Source

The Real Estate Disclosure Rule
Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act
Section 1018
Effective 1996



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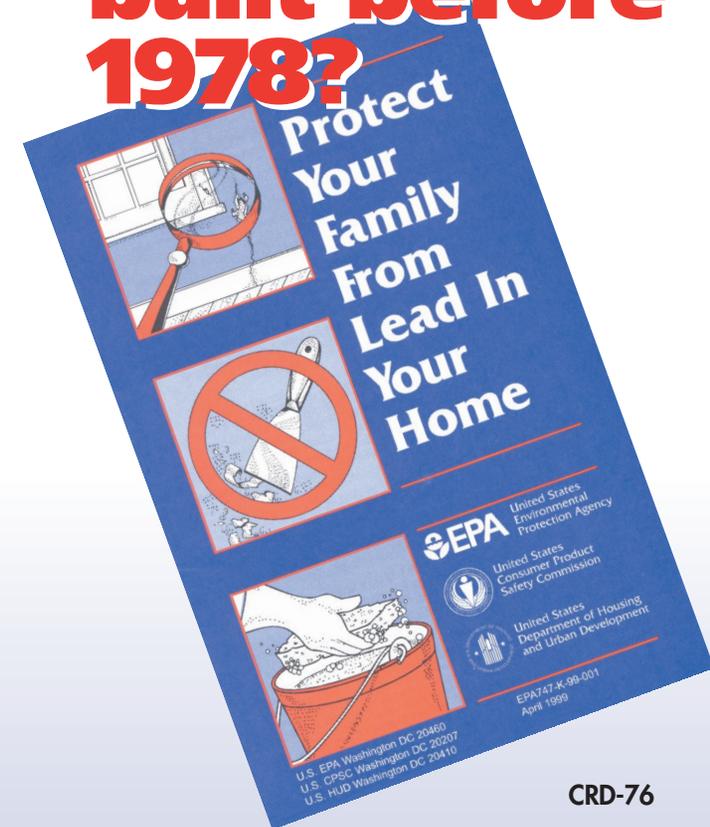
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Selling or renting a house or an apartment built before 1978?



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It may have lead-based paint!

Lead Paint: Rules for Sellers and Landlords

What are the dangers of lead?

Lead is poisonous. It is especially toxic to children under the age of six and to pregnant women.

In 1978, lead was banned in paint used in homes. However, many homes built before 1978, and especially those built before 1950, contain lead-based paint.

Note: Lead-based paint that is in good condition is usually not a hazard.

The Law

The Real Estate Disclosure Rule requires the owner of a home built before 1978 to inform buyers and renters about lead-based paint hazards.

For Sellers

Provide the pamphlet *Protect Your Family From Lead in Your Home*.

Inform buyer of any **known** lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the home.

Provide **records or reports** about lead-based paint hazards in the home.

Provide a **10-day** opportunity for buyer to **test the home for lead**.

Include in the sales contract the proper notification and disclosure information and proper signatures.

Keep disclosure documents for **no fewer than 3 years**.

The seller is **not required** to test the home for lead or remove any lead-based paint.

For Landlords

Provide the pamphlet *Protect Your Family From Lead in Your Home*.

Inform renters of any **known** lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the home.

Provide **records or reports** about lead-based paint hazards in the home.

Include in the lease contract the proper notification and disclosure information and proper signatures.

The landlord is **not required** to test the home for lead, remove any lead-based paint, or provide 10 days to test for lead.

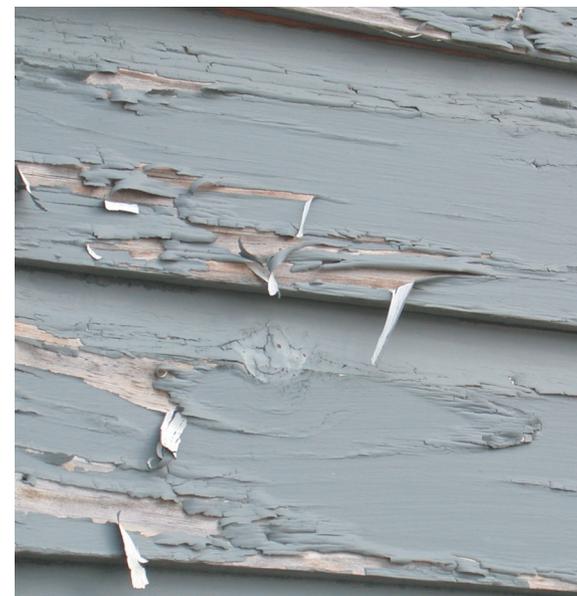
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Ways to Protect Your Family From Lead Poisoning

- Get **children** tested for lead poisoning.
- Contact your doctor or county health department for a blood test.
- Get your **home** tested for lead.
- Call 1-800-424-LEAD for a list of qualified contacts in your area.
- Clean floors, windowsills, and window frames with warm, soapy water.
- Wash hands before eating.



- Keep play areas clean.
- Remove shoes when entering home.
- Eat healthy, low-fat foods high in iron and calcium, such as spinach or dairy products.



Main Sources of Lead Poisoning

• Contaminated dust from peeling, chipping, chalking or cracking lead-based paint, most often found on surfaces that get a lot of wear and tear, including

- Windows and windowsills
- Doors and door frames
- Stairs, railings and banisters
- Porches and fences

- Lead in soil around a home
- Lead solder in pipes
- Foreign-made vinyl miniblinds