



# EPA LEAD RULE

## RENOVATION, REPAIR AND PAINTING

### NEW RULE:

On April 22, 2008, EPA issued a rule requiring the use of lead-safe work practices aimed at preventing lead poisoning in children. On April 22, 2010, the rule became effective. **The rule covers any entity disturbing lead based paint for compensation. Renovators, painters, builders, architects, property managers, realtors are a few firms that will be affected by the new rule.**

### LIABILITIES:

Willful violations of the RRP rule can result in fines up to \$32,500.00 per violation. The EPA is not the only entity that can potentially impose enforcement; anyone who identifies an unsafe lead practice can take action to make your firm follow the RRP rules. This means, for example, if a neighbor of the building being renovated identifies that the renovation firm performing the RRP work is not certified, then they can call the EPA to make your firm comply with the RRP rule and potentially sue your firm for any damages incurred.

### CERTIFIED RENOVATOR COURSE:

A renovation firm or property owner who hires a contractor to perform renovations on lead containing target housing or child occupied facilities must be a certified firm and have at least one certified renovator. To become a certified renovator, individuals are required to take eight hours of training, of which two hours must be hands-on training, to become certified. This training is good for five years. In addition, renovation firms must register their firm with the EPA

### SCHEDULE TRAINING:

To register for training, review the information contained on page 2, and ask your Helm Paint Representatives for further details.

