

Regulatory levels for Lead

Lead-Based Paint (LBP)

Any paint is considered lead-based paint at a level of 1.0 milligrams of lead per square centimeter or higher, or if it is greater than .5% lead by weight, or if it contains greater than 5,000 Parts Per Million of lead.

$\mu\text{g}/\text{ft}^2$ = Micrograms per square foot

PPM = Parts Per Million

Lead in Dust

Clearance Levels

40 $\mu\text{g}/\text{ft}^2$ floors
250 $\mu\text{g}/\text{ft}^2$ window sills
400 $\mu\text{g}/\text{ft}^2$ window wells

Lead in Soil

Hazard Levels

< 400 PPM Not hazardous
400 – 1200 PPM Hazardous if children are present
1200 – 5000 PPM Hazardous
> 5000 PPM **Extremely hazardous** needs abatement or barriers installed

EPA/HUD Disclosure Rule

The federal Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act, 42 U.S.C. 4852d, requires sellers and landlords of most residential housing built before 1978 to disclose all available records and reports concerning lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards, including the items described in this notice, to purchasers and tenants at the time of sale or lease, or upon lease renewal, or when conducting lead based paint activities. This disclosure must occur even if hazard reduction or abatement has been completed. Failure to disclose these records and reports is a violation of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency regulations at 24 CFR Part 35 and 40 CFR Part 745 and can result in a fine of up to \$11,000 per violation.

To find out more information about your obligations under federal lead-based paint requirements, call 1-800-424-LEAD.