HAVING WORK DONE ON YOUR PLACE?
USE A LEAD-SAFE CERTIFIED CONTRACTOR.

The Danger
Lead paint poisoning hasn’t gone away. If your home or apartment was built before 1978, unqualified workers could spread lead paint dust. Even doing a small job.

• **Kids:** Over a million are affected right now; lead exposure can cause lower intelligence, behavior problems and learning disabilities.

• **Pregnant women:** Lead paint dust can be harmful to your developing fetus.

• **All adults:** Exposure to lead paint dust can cause high blood pressure, hypertension, and even kidney effects.

The New Rule
The EPA is requiring that contractors be Lead-Safe Certified.

• Contractors include: renovators, electricians, HVAC specialists, plumbers, painters and maintenance staff who disrupt more than six square feet of lead paint.

• If you live in an apartment or condominium, it is your right to insist on a Lead-Safe Certified contractor.

• This rule also covers schools, day care centers, or any buildings where children gather.

The Solution
Protect your family and loved ones.

• Make sure to hire a contractor who is Lead-Safe Certified.
  It may cost just a little more but you’ll get the job done right.

To find a contractor who is Lead-Safe Certified near you, visit epa.gov/getleadsafe or call 800-424-LEAD.