

EPA RRP Trainer Newsletter

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Test kit public hearing

EPA is holding a public meeting related to lead test kits referenced in the 2008 Lead Renovation, Repair and Painting (RRP) rule. EPA is specifically seeking information related to: 1) the existing market for lead test kits as referenced in the 2008 RRP rule; 2) the development or modification of lead test kit(s) that may meet EPA's positive-response criterion (in addition to the negative-response criterion); and 3) other alternatives for lead-based paint field testing.

- **When:** 10 am - 12 pm on June 4, 2015
- **Where:** USEPA William Jefferson Clinton East Building (WJC East), 1201 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20004 (Room: TBD)
- **To attend** please [RSVP online](#), email: wadlington.christina@epa.gov or goodlow.toiya@epa.gov, or call: (202) 566-1859/2305.
- **Have information to submit?** Submit your information [here](#).

Renovator training expiration extended

EPA has [extended the training expiration date](#) for many certified renovators. This was done so if the [proposed changes of January 2015](#) are finalized, many more renovators will be able to take advantage of those changes. Affected expiration dates are based

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on when the previous course was taken (see table below).

EPA will not be issuing new course completion certificates or other documentation to renovators saying their expiration was extended. If an employer or customer has questions about the extension the renovator can print out this guidance and show it to them, or have them call the National Lead Information Center at 800-424-5323.

Note: The extensions do not apply to firm certifications.

Renovator Training Expiration Information	
Date course completed	Expiration
On or before March 31, 2010	March 31, 2016
From April 1, 2010 - March 31, 2011	6 years from the date of course completion
On or after April 1, 2011	5 years from the date of course completion

New individual and trainer CDX functions

Renovation and abatement trainers can now apply for accreditation, reaccreditation or update their information online using the [CDX system](#).

Abatement individuals (worker, supervisor, risk assessor, inspector, and project designers) can also apply for certification, recertification or update their information online using the [CDX system](#).

If it's your first time using the system there is a brief registration to complete before you begin.

Enforcement (fraudulent training)

EPA has received reports of RRP training being offered by businesses that are not accredited by EPA. Such training does not satisfy EPA requirements. If you suspect RRP training is being offered by a business that is not EPA accredited, you can verify their accreditation status by contacting the National Lead Information Center at 1-800-424-LEAD. Incidents of concern should be reported thru the [FBI Internet Crime Complaint Center](#).

Training course completion certificate

The training course completion certificate a renovator receives upon successful completion of an accredited renovator class serves as their individual certification. This document is very important because it's needed to qualify for the refresher training, and a renovator must have a copy onsite at every renovation project they are assigned. A copy of the original is all that's needed for these requirements, so remind renovators to take several copies and keep the original in a secure place. If they can't locate a copy of their certificate, they'll need to contact the trainer they took the course from and request a copy.

Frequent question database (FQ database)

EPA maintains an online database of [Frequent Questions](#) regarding the Agency's Lead Program. It is regularly updated to ensure that you have access to the very latest information. When questions come up we recommend you first go to the FQ Database, then if you cannot find the answer you're looking for call the National Lead Information Center at 1-800-424-LEAD (5323).

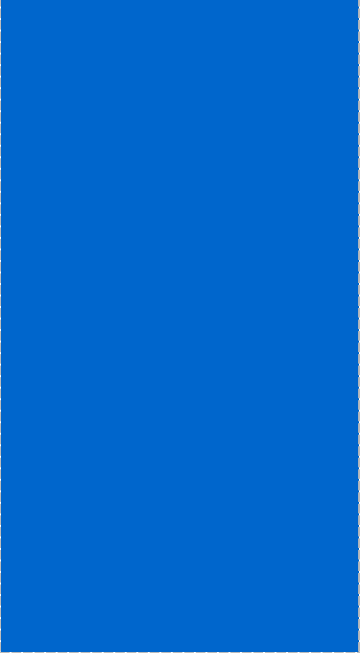
Here's an example from the FQ database. Do the cleaning, cleaning verification, and recordkeeping requirements of the RRP rule still apply for an "emergency renovation"? The answer is "yes", surprised? Take a look at [FQ 23002-32367](#) for more details!

EPA's "Look for the Logo" campaign

As you know, EPA's Renovation Rule requires firms working in older homes and child care facilities to be certified, train their employees, and follow lead-safe work practices. To help ensure consumers hire Lead-Safe Certified firms, help us spread the word about EPA's new outreach materials to remind everyone to "Look for the Logo"! For more information or to download the materials for free, [click here](#).

Help us encourage consumers to "Look for the Logo" and better understand the value of trained and lead-safe certified contractors. Feel free to place the widget on your webpage and highlight the print ad in an upcoming newsletter or email, and to encourage your trainees to do so as well.

Online training course search tool



The EPA [training search tool](#), allows renovators to search for trainers and upcoming RRP classes scheduled in their area. The search tool will only show courses submitted using the CDX system. If you are not currently using the CDX system, and need help registering or have questions contact the CDX helpdesk at 888-890-1995 for assistance getting started.