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LEAD-SAFE RENOVATOR RECIPROCAL CERTIFICATION
IOWA SPECIFIC RULES TO BE AWARE OF

1. Iowa issues certifications to individuals at a cost of \$60 per year. In Iowa the discipline for renovations is called a Lead-Safe Renovator. Each year the certified individual must recertify by completing a brief renewal application and paying the certification fee. Reminders and renewal applications are sent out by the Bureau of Lead Poisoning Prevention at least a month prior to the expiration date.
2. Firms must also be certified. The yearly renewal process is the same as it is for individuals. However, there is no cost for firm certification.
3. All lead professionals certified in Iowa must complete a refresher course every 3 years. The Lead-Safe Renovator Refresher course is 4 hours in length.
4. Minor repair and maintenance activities that disturb less than 1.0 sq foot of painted surface are exempt from the work practice standards for renovations. However, window replacement is **never** exempt, and **prohibited practices must not be used** (IAC—641-70.6(11)a(6)).
5. In Iowa the post-renovation cleaning verification process requires that uncarpeted floors, window sills, counter tops, and window troughs be cleaned and tested.
6. Reports are required following renovations. All reports written by lead professionals, including lead-safe renovators, must contain specific language and must be issued to the property owner.
7. A certified Lead-Safe Renovator must be at the renovation site during the worksite preparation and during cleanup. At all other times a certified renovator must be available via telephone, pager, etc., and be able to be onsite within 2 hours.
8. There are 3 “inspector type” lead professional disciplines in Iowa; the 20-hour Sampling Technician, the 40-hour Lead Inspector /Risk Assessor, and the 48-hour EBL Lead Inspector/Risk Assessor.
9. Owner occupants are exempt from the certification requirements. However, volunteer labor is not exempt from certification – Iowa’s certification requirements for renovation are not dependent on compensation.

There are two copies of this page attached the application. Please tear one page off and keep it for reference. Please sign and return the other copy with the application.

I have read and understand the above information on the Iowa-specific rules for renovation. I understand that it is my responsibility to understand all of the Iowa rules pertaining to renovation and other lead-based paint activities in Iowa. These rules for all lead-based paint activities can be found in Iowa Administrative Code 641 – Chapter 70: <http://www.legis.state.ia.us/asp/ACODocs/DOCS/2-10-2010.641.70.pdf>

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