

**Verification of Contractor  
Certification  
Lead Based Paint Poisoning  
Prevention**

**Beginning August 1, 2011 the City of St. Louis Park will require all licensed Residential Building Contractors, Residential Remodelers, Manufactured Home Installers, and Residential Roofers to provide proof of certification in lead based paint poisoning prevention prior to obtaining permits for renovation work in residential properties constructed prior to 1978.**

Renovation, as specified in Code of Federal Regulations, title 40, section 745.83 is defined as:

**Renovation means the modification of any existing structure, or portion thereof, that results in the disturbance of painted surfaces, unless that activity is performed as part of an abatement as defined by this part (40 CFR 745.223). The term renovation includes (but is not limited to): **The removal, modification or repair of painted surfaces or painted components** (e.g., modification of painted doors, surface restoration, window repair, surface preparation activity (such as sanding, scraping, or other such activities that may generate paint dust)); **the removal of building components** (e.g., walls, ceilings, plumbing, windows); **weatherization projects** (e.g., cutting holes in painted surfaces to install blown-in insulation or to gain access to attics, planing thresholds to install weather-stripping), **and interim controls that disturb painted surfaces. A renovation performed for the purpose of converting a building, or part of a building, into target housing or a child-occupied facility is a renovation under this subpart.** The term renovation does not include minor repair and maintenance activities.**

Minor repairs and maintenance activities include:

- Interior activities that disturb 6 square feet or less of painted surface per room.
- Exterior activities that disturb 20 square feet or less of painted surface.