

Proposed Georgia Specific Renovation, Repair, and Painting Program

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Draft

Proposed revisions are based on comments received from stakeholders' review of the first draft of the proposed rules and comments received during stakeholder meetings.

Renovation Firm Certification

Georgia would issue certification to a renovation firm at a cost of **\$125 per year or \$300 per 3 years**. The one-year certification option is designed to ease the cost burden of small business entities and renovation firms, which occasionally work in per-1978 housing or pre-1978 child-occupied facilities.

EPA Certified Renovation Firms will be **valid for 5 years (prior to EPD adopting rules)**.

A Georgia Certified Renovation Firm must have certified Renovator when conducting a renovation project on pre-1978 target housing or child-occupied facilities. A certified dust sampling technician must be employed by a certified renovation firm when performing clearance testing following a renovation project.

Renovator Certification

Georgia would issue a certification to a renovator at a cost of \$150 for 3 years.

The Initial Renovator training must be taken by all new Renovators. Refresher training must be taken every three (3) years. The Renovator Refresher course is 4 hours in length. EPA Renovator certification received from an EPA accredited training provider will be **valid for 5 years (prior to EPD adopting rules)**.

Dust Sampling Technician Certification

Georgia would issue a certification to a dust sampling technician at a cost of \$150 yearly. Georgia does not require dust sampling following renovations.

Refresher training must be taken every 3 years. **EPA dust sampling technician certification will be valid for 5 years (prior to EPD adopting rules)**.

Pre-Notification Requirement

Notices for renovations in common areas and in child-occupied facilities, are **not required** to post the renovation notice in the language(s) of the occupants; **however, EPD will offer translations to encourage firms to use**.

Cleaning Verification Processes

The post-renovation cleaning verification process will include window troughs be cleaned to reach cleaning verification.

Training Providers

New training providers offering the Initial and Refresher Renovator and Dust Sampling Technician courses must be approved by Georgia and pay the initial application cost of \$400.

The course cost of yearly renewal will be \$300.

EPA accredited training providers for the Initial and Refresher Renovator and Dust Sampling Technician courses will be required to submit an application within 30 days following Rule adoption and pay a \$200 application fee to ensure Georgia regulations are adequately presented in the courses.

Renovation Project Notification

In pre-1978 target housing or child-occupied facilities with surfaces found or presumed to have lead-based paint, a project notification will be required for renovation projects that disturb **equal to or greater than 500 ft.² of interior surfaces at a cost of \$50 per project**. For renovation projects that disturb **equal to or greater than 1,500 ft.² of exterior surfaces of lead-based paint, the project notification cost will be \$100**. A 3-day advance notifications will be required. An emergency notifications fee of \$50 would be required when necessary.