



Lead Hazard Mitigation Inspection Information

Inspection Overview

The conformance inspection consists of two steps:

- Visual Inspection
- Dust Wipe Collection - Wipes are sent to a lab to test for lead dust levels

Visual Inspection Criteria

To pass the visual inspection, all paint must be intact.

Any painted surface that is damaged or has loose, delaminating, flaking, peeling, chipping, chalking, or blistering paint is considered a failure.

Dust Wipe Collection

If the visual inspection passes, dust wipes are collected as follows:

- Inside each unit: 2 wipes on the floor and 1 on a windowsill
- Common areas: 1 wipe on the floor

Wipes are taken from 'worst-case' areas such as entries, high traffic zones, under windows, and areas frequently used by children.

Tip: Clean floors and windowsills thoroughly before inspection. Use water and vinegar to effectively remove lead dust.

Certification

- Passing dust wipes: Results in a Conformance Certificate valid for 2 years from the inspection date.
- Failing dust wipes: Requires a re-wipe in failed areas within 30 days.

Pre-Inspection Checklist

Exterior Painted Surfaces

Inspect for any paint deterioration (chipping, peeling, flaking, chalking, etc.) on:

- Basement windows
- Siding
- Building trim
- Door systems (door, casing, jamb, threshold)
- Window systems (sill, apron, casing, jambs, stops, sashes)
- Sheds/Garages



- Foundation
- Bulkheads
- Stair systems (treads, risers, railings, balusters, stringers)
- Porches/Decks
- Any other painted exterior surfaces

Interior Painted Surfaces

Inspect for deterioration on:

- Ceilings
- Crown molding
- Walls
- Baseboards
- Door systems (including doors that rub against jambs)
- Window systems
- Inside closets (doors, casing, walls, baseboards, shelves, supports, rods)
- Cabinets (kitchen, pantry, bathroom)
- Stair systems
- Any other painted interior surfaces

Additional Notes

- Interior Only Certificates are available Nov 1 – Mar 31 if exterior work is pending. These expire June 30, allowing time for exterior completion and re-inspection.
- If the exterior inspection is not completed by June 30, the certificate expires and units will no longer be in conformance with state law.