



LEAD INSPECTIONS

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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WHY DO I NEED A LEAD INSPECTION?

In Massachusetts, the law requires houses in which a child under the age of 6 lives to be in compliance with the Lead Paint Law. This is to ensure that the risk of Lead Paint poisoning is minimized. Having a Lead Inspection is the first step towards bringing your home into compliance, bringing you peace of mind.

WHAT SHOULD I EXPECT?

A comprehensive Initial Inspection assesses every coated surface of a home, from closet baseboards to exterior trim. Each surface is recorded as being either positive for lead paint or not. Surfaces which cannot be tested are assumed to be positive. For these reasons, it is crucial for you to make sure that the Inspector will be able to access and assess every surface. This means cleaning out closets so that baseboards are entirely visible, making sure windows open, etc. A detailed report is compiled within 10 days, letting you know the results. The homeowner and tenant (if applicable) receive full copies of the report.

WHAT IS AN XRF?

An XRF uses x-ray fluorescence technology to 'read' how much lead is present. It is non-invasive, non-destructive, and extremely accurate. When used properly it is entirely safe.

HOW LONG IS AN INSPECTION REPORT GOOD FOR?

Inspection reports do not expire. Compliance also does not expire, though it is up to the homeowner to make sure lead paint stays in good condition (not peeling, flaking, etc.)