

## **Lead Abatement**

Lead abatement is the permanent removal of lead-based paint hazards. Only certified contractors can do lead-based paint work in residential dwellings and child-occupied facilities built before 1978 (lead was banned as an additive in house paint in 1978). Examples of lead-based paint activities are inspections, risk assessments and lead abatement.

Lead paint dust is a primary cause of lead poisoning. Most housing built before 1978 probably contains some lead-based paint. Lead paint can also be found in playground equipment, buildings, bridges, cranes and boats.

The Lead-based Paint Program located within the Washington State Department of Community, Trade and Economic Development (CTED) publishes a list of contractors certified to perform lead-based paint activities in Washington. See the [CTED list of certified lead abatement contractors](#) (PDF, 33 KB). For more information, call the CTED at 360-586-LEAD(5323) or the Health Districts Solid and Hazardous Waste Program at 337-5245.

To find a lead abatement firm in the phone book, look under "Lead Detection and Removal" or "Asbestos" or contact the agency listed below.

Lead Hazard Control Grant Program  
Kitsap County Consolidated Housing Authority  
bartonm@kccha.org  
(360) 535-6100

## **Lead Disposal**

Lead based paints, paint chips and other lead containing items are considered hazardous wastes. Homeowners with lead or lead containing wastes can dispose of these items at the Kitsap County Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility. For more information and hours of operation contact the Kitsap County Public Works at 360-337-5777. For information on designating lead containing products and wastes contact the Health Districts Solid and Hazardous Waste Program at 337-5245.