

How to Find an RRP-Certified Renovator

Locating an EPA Certified Renovation, Remodeling, and Painting Renovator (RRP)

As of April 22, 2010, EPA requires firms that conduct renovation, remodeling, or paint removal activities on residential houses, apartments, and child-occupied facilities built before 1978, to be:

- certified as a “certified renovator” with EPA,
- their employees must be trained in the use of lead-safe work practices, and
- the lead-safe work practices that minimize occupants’ exposure to lead hazards must be followed.

A firms’ employees must take an EPA approved 8 hour training course in order to obtain certification and become a “certified renovator”.

To locate a certified renovator with EPA:

1. Go to: http://cfpub.epa.gov/flpp/searchrrp_firm.htm
2. The following web page will come up:

The screenshot shows the EPA website interface for finding certified renovation firms. The page title is "Lead in Paint, Dust, and Soil" under the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency logo. A search bar is present with options for "All EPA" and "This Area". The main heading is "Locate Certified Renovation Firms". A note explains that the locator identifies renovation, repair and painting firms certified by EPA. Below the note is a search form with the following fields: "Location" (with a red prompt "Enter either a complete address, or a Zip Code, or a City and State."), "Distance in Miles" (set to 50), "State" (with a dropdown menu), and "Firm Name" (with a dropdown menu set to "Contains"). A "Search" button is at the bottom of the form. A sidebar on the left contains navigation links such as "Lead Home", "Basic Information", "Where You Live", "Renovation, Repair and Painting", "Lead-Safe Certification Program", "Lead Abatement Professionals", "Grants", "Lead in the News", "Rules & Regulations", "Resource Center", "Lead Hotline", "Lead in Air", and "Lead in Drinking Water".

3. Complete the information requested on the website and click on the “Search” button. A list of firms will be generated.
4. Note: If a company claims to be an EPA certified RRP renovator but does not appear on the website, you can contact the EPA directly at (617) 918-1765 or (617) 918-1607 for verification.