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Federal law requires that individuals receive certain information on lead-based paint and the hazards associated with it before renting or buying **pre-1978 housing**.

Many apartments and homes built before 1978 contain lead-based paint. If not taken care of properly, lead from paint, chips and dust can pose serious health hazards.

Sellers have to disclose known information on lead-based paint and lead-based paint hazards before selling a house. Sales contracts must include a disclosure about lead-based paint. (a printed copy of the document “Protect Your Family From Lead In Your Home” will meet this requirement) See link below

Buyers have up to 10 days to check for lead.

Landlords have to disclose known information on lead-based paint and lead-based paint hazards before leases take effect. Leases must include a disclosure about lead-based paint.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s pamphlet “Protect Your Family From Lead in Your Home” is **available FREE** at [epa.gov/lead](https://www.epa.gov/lead)



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