

**Department of Health Services
Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Branch
Lead Accreditation and Certification Unit**

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Lead Accreditation & Certification Program Overview

California Department of Health Services, Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Branch,
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Program Background:

To help prevent childhood lead poisoning and protect the public from lead exposure caused by construction work, California put in place a new law (Health and Safety Code section 429.16) which took effect on January 1, 1994. This law required the California Department of Health Services (DHS) to establish a program to interim certify people who work in lead-related construction and accredit training providers who teach lead-related construction courses. New regulations establishing the program were filed with the Secretary of State on June 29, 1994 and are now in effect (Title 17, California Code of Regulations, Division 1, Chapter 8, Section 35001 et. seq. entitled "Accreditation of Training Providers and Interim Certification of Individuals Engaged in Lead-Related Construction Work").

What kind of lead-related construction do these regulations apply to?

Currently, California's Accreditation & Certification regulations apply to any construction, alteration, painting, demolition, salvage, renovation, repair or maintenance of any residential, public or commercial building, including preparation and cleanup, that, by using or disturbing lead-containing material or soil, may result in significant exposure of individuals to lead. In the near future, the Department will develop new regulations which govern lead-related construction work done on industrial buildings and steel structures.

What is accreditation?

Accreditation is granted to any individual, corporation, partnership or other unincorporated association or public entity which offers at least

1 DHS-approved course and satisfies the applicable requirements specified California's new lead-related construction training regulations. Accredited training providers may offer lead-related construction courses in:

- ☐ Inspection/Assessment
- ☐ Supervision and Project Monitoring
- ☐ Project Design
- ☐ Work
- ☐ Continuing Education
- ☐ Continuing Education for Workers

Accreditation is non-transferable and must be renewed every 3 years.

Is accreditation mandatory?

As of November 1, 1994, all lead-related construction training leading toward DHS-interim certification must be taken from a DHS-Accredited training provider. Students taking courses after November 1, 1994, from non-DHS-Accredited providers are not eligible for interim certification.

What is interim certification?

Interim certification is granted to any individual who satisfies California's eligibility requirements to perform lead-related construction in residential, public, and commercial buildings.

The Department grants interim certification for the following 5 lead-related construction disciplines:

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| ☐ Inspector/Assessor | ☐ Project Designer |
| ☐ Supervisor | ☐ Worker |
| ☐ Project Monitor | |

Interim certificates are granted to individuals only. They are non-transferable and must be



Lead-Related Construction Interim Certification Application Instructions Update

California Department of Health Services, Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Branch,
Lead Accreditation & Certification Unit (April 1995)

There has been a change in California's accreditation and certification regulations (17 CCR 35001). The new version of these regulations, filed on April 5, 1995, are now in effect and include revised eligibility requirements for interim certified lead-related construction personnel.

The new eligibility requirements are outlined in the table below. You should use this table to determine whether or not you are eligible for interim certification. Please **DO NOT USE** the old table on page 3 of the attached application form. That information is out-of-date.

Important Information for Certified Industrial Hygienists

If you are a Certified Industrial Hygienist, you now need **ONLY** to successfully complete a 24 contact hour DHS-approved lead-related construction Certified Industrial Hygienist course to satisfy **ALL** eligibility requirements for the lead-related construction Inspector/Assessor, Project Monitor and Project Designer interim certifications.

Revised Eligibility Requirements

	A. Training Requirement	B. Experience Requirement	C. Education Requirement
Inspector/Assessor	Successfully complete a 40 contact hour DHS-approved lead-related construction Inspection and Assessment course. OR Have completed at least 32 contact hours of lead-related construction inspection and assessment training before Nov. 1, 1994.	★ Have one year of experience as a lead-related construction Supervisor. OR ★ Have one year of experience in an occupation conducting inspections and assessing health, safety, or environmental hazards. OR ★ Have one year of experience designing projects in health safety or environmental hazard reduction.	Have an associate degree or higher in biological, chemical, or physical sciences, or a related field. OR Have 20 semester or 30 quarter units in biological, chemical, or physical sciences, or a related field. OR Have a high school diploma or its equivalent plus 2 years additional related experience (see Box B).
Project Monitor	Successfully complete a 40 contact hour DHS-approved lead-related construction Supervision/Project Monitoring course. Have completed at least 32 contact hours of lead-related construction Supervision/Project Monitoring training before Nov. 1, 1994.	★ Have one year of experience as a lead-related construction Supervisor. OR ★ Have one year of experience in an occupation conducting and/or monitoring health, safety, or environmental hazard reduction projects. OR ★ Have one year of experience designing projects in health safety or environmental hazard reduction.	Have an associate degree or higher in biological, chemical, or physical sciences, or a related field. OR Have 20 semester or 30 quarter units in biological, chemical, or physical sciences, or a related field. OR Have a high school diploma or its equivalent plus 2 years additional related experience (see Box B).

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Revised Eligibility Requirements (continued)

	A. Training Requirement	B. Experience Requirement	C. Education Requirement
Project Designer	Successfully complete a 56 contact hour DHS-approved lead-related construction Project Design course. OR Have completed at least 48 contact hours of lead-related construction Project Design training before November 1, 1994. OR Successfully complete a 40 contact hour DHS-approved lead-related construction Supervision/Project Monitoring course and 16 contact hours of DHS-approved lead-related construction Project Design training. OR Be an interim certified lead-related construction Supervisor or Project Monitor and complete at least 16 contact hours of DHS-approved lead-related construction Project Design training.	★ Have one year of experience as a lead-related construction Supervisor. OR ★ Have one year of experience in an occupation conducting or designing health, safety, or environmental hazard reduction projects. OR ★ Have one year of experience in architectural design or engineering.	Have an associate degree or higher in biological, chemical, or physical sciences, or a related field. OR Have 20 semester or 30 quarter units in biological, chemical, or physical sciences, or a related field. OR Have a high school diploma or its equivalent plus 2 years additional related experience (see Box B).
Supervisor	Successfully complete a 40 contact hour DHS-approved lead-related construction Supervision/ Project Monitoring course OR Have completed at least 32 contact hours of lead-related construction Supervision/Project Monitoring training before Nov. 1, 1994	★ Have one year of experience as a lead-related construction Worker OR ★ Have two years of experience in the building trades conducting health, safety, or environmental hazard control	NONE
Worker	Successfully complete a 32 contact hour DHS-approved lead-related construction Work course OR Have completed at least 24 contact hours of lead-related construction Work training before Nov. 1, 1994	NONE	NONE

★ You may not combine experience from these options to satisfy their experience requirement.