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**PART 1 - GENERAL**

**1.1 DESCRIPTION**

- .1 Comply with requirements of this Section when performing following Work:
  - .1 Removal of lead based paint by scraping or sanding using non-powered hand tools, as deemed feasible by the Contractor and as approved by the Departmental Representative, only in cases where removal from site by leaving on substrate and removing painted materials is deemed unfeasible.

**1.2 RELATED SECTIONS**

- .1 Section 02 83 10 – Lead-Based Paint Abatement – Minimum Precautions

**1.3 DEFINITIONS**

- .1 Action level: employee exposure, without regard to usage of respirators, to an airborne concentration of lead of 50 micrograms per cubic meter of air calculated as eight (8) hour time-weighted average (TWA). Intermediate precautions for lead abatement are based on airborne lead concentrations greater than 0.05 milligrams per cubic meter of air within Work Area.
- .2 Competent person: Departmental Representative capable of identifying existing lead hazards in workplace and taking corrective measures to eliminate them.
- .3 Authorized Visitors: Departmental Representative or designated representatives of regulatory agencies.
- .4 Occupied Area: areas of building or work site that is outside Work Area and non-protected workers are present.
- .5 HEPA vacuum: High Efficiency Particulate Air filtered vacuum equipment with filter system capable of collecting and retaining fibres greater than 0.3 microns in any direction at 99.97% efficiency.
- .6 Sprayer: garden reservoir type sprayer or airless spray equipment capable of producing mist or fine spray. Must be appropriate capacity for scope of work.
- .7 Airlock: ingress or egress system, without permitting air movement between contaminated area and uncontaminated area. Consisting of two (2) curtained doorways at least 2 m apart.
- .8 Curtained doorway: arrangement of closures to allow ingress and egress from one room to another.  
Typically constructed as follows:

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- .1 Place two (2) overlapping polyethylene sheets over existing or temporarily framed doorway, securing each along top of doorway, securing vertical edge of one sheet along one vertical side of doorway, and secure other sheet along opposite vertical side of doorway.
- .2 Reinforce free edges of polyethylene with duct tape and add weight to bottom edge to ensure proper closing.
- .3 Overlap each polyethylene sheet at openings 1.5 m on each side.
  
- .9 Lead in Dust: wipe sampling on vertical and/or horizontal surfaces, dust and debris is considered to be lead contaminated if it contains more than 40 micrograms of lead in dust per square foot.
  
- .10 Lead containing paint: Material that is coated with lead based paint that has been analyzed and determined to contain total lead concentrations in excess of 90 ppm. Leachable lead is lead concentrations greater than 5mg/L.

#### **1.4 SUBMITTALS**

- .1 Provide submittals in accordance with Section 01 33 00 - Submittal Procedures.
- .2 Submit written proof satisfactory to Departmental Representative that suitable arrangements have been made to dispose of lead based paint waste in accordance with requirements of Authority Having Jurisdiction.
- .3 Submit Federal/Provincial and/or local requirements for Notice of Project Form.
- .4 Submit proof of Contractor's General and Environmental Liability Insurance.
- .5 Quality Control:
  - .1 Provide Departmental Representative necessary permits for transportation and disposal of lead based paint waste and proof that it has been received and properly disposed.
  - .2 Provide proof satisfactory to Departmental Representative that employees have had instruction on hazards of lead exposure, respirator use, dress, entry and exit from Work Area, and aspects of work procedures and protective measures.
  - .3 Provide proof that supervisory personnel have attended lead abatement course, of not less than two (2) days duration, approved by Departmental Representative. Minimum of one (1) supervisor for every ten (10) workers.
- .6 Product data:
  - .1 Provide documentation including test results, fire and flammability data, and Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) for chemicals or materials including:
    - .1 Encapsulants.
    - .2 Amended water.
    - .3 Slow drying sealer.

#### **1.5 QUALITY ASSURANCE**

- .1 Regulatory Requirements: comply with Federal, Provincial and local requirements

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pertaining to lead-base paint, in case of conflict among those requirements or with these specifications more stringent requirement applies. Comply with regulations in effect at time Work is performed.

.2 Health and Safety:

- .1 Do construction occupational health and safety in accordance with Provincial OHS.
- .2 Safety Requirements: worker and visitor protection.
  - .1 Protective equipment and clothing to be worn by workers and visitors in Work Area includes:
    - .1 NIOSH approved respirator equipped with filter cartridges with assigned protection factor of 50, acceptable to Authority Having Jurisdiction. Suitable for type of lead and level of lead dust exposure in Lead Work Area. Provide sufficient filters so workers can install new filters following disposal of used filters and before re-entering contaminated areas. Workers to perform work in this Section require medical fit testing to confirm capability to safely wear a respirator.
    - .2 Disposable-type protective clothing that does not readily retain or permit skin contamination, consisting of full body covering including head covering with snug fitting cuffs at wrists, ankles, and neck.
  - .2 Requirements for workers:
    - .1 Remove street clothes in clean change room and put on respirator with new filters or reusable filters, clean coveralls and head covers before entering Equipment and Access Rooms or Work Area. Store street clothes, uncontaminated footwear, towels, and similar uncontaminated articles in clean change room.
    - .2 Remove gross contamination from clothing before leaving work area. Place contaminated work suits in receptacles for disposal with other lead - contaminated materials. Leave reusable items except respirator in Equipment and Access Room. When not in use in Work Area, store work footwear in Equipment and Access Room. Upon completion of lead abatement, dispose of footwear as contaminated waste or clean thoroughly inside and out using soap and water before removing from Work Area or from Equipment and Access Room.
    - .3 Enter unloading room from outside dressed in clean coveralls to remove waste containers and equipment from Holding Room of Container and Equipment Decontamination Enclosure system. Workers not to use this system as means to leave or enter work area. Doorways of transfer room are to remain sealed except when transfer of waste is occurring.
- .3 Eating, drinking, chewing, and smoking are not permitted in Work Area.

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- .4      Ensure workers are fully protected with respirators and protective clothing during preparation of system of enclosures prior to commencing actual lead abatement.
- .5      Facilities for washing hands and face shall be provided adjacent to work areas.  
Workers must wash hands, face and respirators when leaving Work Area.
- .6      Provide and post in Clean Change Room and in Equipment and Access Room the procedures described in this Section, in both official languages (English and French).
- .7      No person required to enter a Lead Work Area may have facial hair that affects seal between respirator and face.
- .8      Visitor Protection:
  - .1      Provide protective clothing and approved respirators to Authorized Visitors to Work Areas.
  - .2      Instruct Authorized Visitors in use of protective clothing, respirators and procedures.
  - .3      Instruct Authorized Visitors in proper procedures to be followed in entering into and exiting from Work Area.
- .9      When lead-based paint abatement is to be conducted in an area where asbestos abatement is to be conducted, the most stringent safety requirements (personal protection and decontamination structures/procedures) shall be implemented.

## **1.6      WASTE MANAGEMENT AND DISPOSAL**

- .1      Handle and dispose of hazardous materials in accordance with CEPA, TDGA, Federal/Provincial and Municipal regulations.
- .2      Disposal of lead waste generated by removal activities must comply with Federal, Provincial and Municipal regulations. Dispose of lead waste in sealed double thickness 6 ml bags or leak proof drums. Label containers with appropriate warning labels.
- .3      Provide manifests describing and listing waste created. Transport containers by approved means to licensed landfill for disposal.

## **1.7      EXISTING CONDITIONS**

- .1      Refer to the Hazardous Material Assessment report appended to these specifications.

## **PART 2 - PRODUCTS**

### **2.1      MATERIALS**

- .1      Polyethylene: 0.15 mm unless otherwise specified; in sheet size to minimize joints.
- .2      FR polyethylene: 0.15 mm woven fibre reinforced fabric bonded both sides with

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polyethylene.

- .3      Tape: fibreglass - reinforced duct tape suitable for sealing polyethylene under dry conditions and wet conditions using amended water.
- .4      Slow-drying sealer: non-staining, clear, water-dispersible type that remains tacky on surface for at least eight (8) hours and designed for trapping residual lead paint residue.
- .5      Lead waste containers: metal or fibre type acceptable to landfill operator with tightly fitting covers and  
0.15 mm sealable polyethylene liners.
  - .1      Label containers with pre-printed bilingual (English and French) cautionary Warning Lead clearly visible when ready for removal to disposal site.

### **PART 3 - EXECUTION**

#### **3.1      SUPERVISION**

- .1      Approved Supervisor must remain within Lead Work Area during disturbance, removal, or other handling of lead-based paint.

#### **3.2      PREPARATION**

- .1      Remove and wrap items to be salvaged or reused, and transport and store in area specified by Departmental Representative.
- .2      Work Area:
  - .1      Pre-clean fixed casework, and equipment within work areas, using HEPA vacuum and cover with polyethylene sheeting sealed with tape.
  - .2      Clean work areas using HEPA vacuum. If not practicable, use wet cleaning method. Do not use methods that raise dust, such as dry sweeping, or vacuuming using other than HEPA vacuum.
  - .3      Seal off openings, corridors, doorways, windows, skylights, ducts, grilles, and diffusers, with polyethylene sheeting sealed with tape.
  - .4      Cover floor surfaces in work area from wall to wall with FR polyethylene drop sheets to protect existing floor during removal.
  - .5      Build airlocks at entrances and exits from work areas to ensure work areas are always closed off by one curtained doorway when workers enter or exit.
  - .6      At point of access to work areas install warning signs in both official languages (English and French) in upper case "Helvetica Medium" letters reading as follows where number in parentheses indicates font size to be used:
    - .1      CAUTION LEAD HAZARD AREA (25 mm).
    - .2      NO UNAUTHORIZED ENTRY (19 mm).
    - .3      WEAR ASSIGNED PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT AND RESPIRATOR (19 mm).

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- .4 BREATHING LEAD CONTAMINATED DUST CAUSES SERIOUS BODILY HARM (7 mm).
- .7 Maintain emergency and fire exits from work areas, or establish alternative exits satisfactory to Authority Having Jurisdiction.
- .8 Where water application is required for wetting lead containing materials, provide temporary water supply by use of appropriately sized hoses for application of water as required.
- .9 Provide electrical power and shut off for operation of powered tools and equipment. Provide 24 volt safety lighting and ground fault interrupter (GFI) circuits on power source for electrical tools, in accordance with applicable CSA Standard. Ensure safe installation of electrical lines and equipment.
- .3 Worker Decontamination Enclosure System:
  - .1 Worker Decontamination Enclosure System includes Equipment and Access Room and Clean Room, as follows:
    - .1 Equipment and Access Room: construct between exit and work areas, with two (2) curtained doorways, one (1) to the rest of suite, and one (1) to work area. Install waste receptor and storage facilities for workers' shoes and protective clothing to be re-worn in work areas. Build large enough to accommodate specified facilities, equipment needed, and at least one (1) worker allowing sufficient space to change comfortably.
    - .2 Clean Room: construct with curtained doorway to outside of enclosures. Provide lockers or hangers and hooks for workers' street clothes and personal belongings. Provide storage for clean protective clothing and respiratory equipment. Install mirror to permit workers to fit respiratory equipment properly.
- .4 Construction of Decontamination Enclosures:
  - .1 Construct framing for enclosures or use existing rooms. Line enclosure with polyethylene sheeting and seal with tape, apply two layers of FR polyethylene on floor.
  - .2 Construct curtain doorways between enclosures so when people move through or waste containers and equipment are moved through doorway, one of two closures comprising doorway always remains closed.
- .5 Separation of Work Areas from Occupied Areas:

Barriers between Work Area and occupied area to be constructed as follows:

  - .1 Construct floor to ceiling wood or metal stud framing, cover with polyethylene sheeting and seal with duct tape. Apply plywood over polyethylene sheeting. Seal plywood joints and between adjacent materials with surface film forming sealer, to create airtight barrier.
  - .2 Cover plywood with polyethylene sheeting and sealed with duct tape.
- .6 Maintenance of Enclosures:
  - .1 Maintain enclosures in clean condition.
  - .2 Ensure barriers and polyethylene linings are effectively sealed and taped. Repair damaged barriers and remedy defects immediately.

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- .3      Visually inspect enclosures at beginning of each work day.
- .4      Use smoke test method to test effectiveness of barriers as directed by Departmental Representative.

### **3.3      LEAD - BASE PAINT ABATEMENT**

- .1      Removal of lead-based painted materials for cases where removal and disposal of painted material is deemed unfeasible as confirmed by Departmental Representative is to be performed through the use of a chemical gel or paste, scraping, sanding or sand blasting using non-powered hand tools.
- .2      During demolition and dismantling operations, contain paint particles and dust through the use of polyethylene sheets or other measures. Use drop sheets, as required, to collect paint particles that become removed from surfaces during demolition and dismantling operations. Establish a control area around these activities to provide protection to personnel from airborne paint particles. Construct control area to prevent the escape of paint chips.
- .3      Remove lead based paint in small sections and pack as it is being removed in sealable 0.15 mm plastic bags and place in labelled containers for transport.
- .4      Seal filled containers. Clean external surfaces thoroughly by wet sponging. Remove from immediate working area to Temporary Staging Area. Clean external surfaces thoroughly again by wetsponging before moving containers to decontamination enclosures. Wash containers thoroughly in decontamination enclosure, and move to Clean Room. Ensure containers are removed from Clean Room by workers who have entered from uncontaminated areas dressed in clean coveralls.
- .5      After completion of stripping work, wire brush and wet sponge surface from which lead-based paint has been removed to remove visible material. During this work keep surfaces wet.
- .6      Collect paint debris and surficial soil impacted by paint chips and containerize as a lead based paint waste. Soils impacted with lead-base paints to be handled and disposed of as lead waste.
- .7      After all lead-base paint has been removed from the substrate materials, paint-free substrate materials are to be transported and disposed of in the non-hazardous landfills.
- .8      Dispose of lead waste at approved waste site.
- .9      After wire brushing and wet sponging to remove visible lead based paint, and after encapsulating lead containing material impossible to remove, wet clean work area including equipment and access room, and equipment used in process. After inspection by Departmental Representative, apply continuous coat of slow drying sealer to surfaces. Do not disturb work for eight (8) hours with no entry, activity, ventilation or disturbance during this period.
- .10      After enclosing lead painted surfaces, wet clean work area and equipment and access

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room. During settling period no entry, activity, or ventilation will be permitted.

- .11      The use of heat (e.g. cutting torches) to cut or dismantle facilities containing paint materials is not permitted unless the paint has been removed from the areas to be cut such that excessive heating of the remaining paint does not occur. Notify Departmental Representative prior to torching activities.

### **3.4      INSPECTION**

- .1      Perform inspection to confirm compliance with specification and governing authority requirements.  
Deviations from these requirements not approved in writing by Departmental Representative will result in work stoppage, at no cost to Departmental Representative.
- .2      Departmental Representative will inspect work for:
  - .1      Adherence to specific procedures and materials.
  - .2      Final cleanliness and completion.
  - .3      No additional costs will be allowed by Contractor for additional labour or materials required to provide specified performance level.
- .3      When lead dust leakage from Work Area occurs Departmental Representative may order Work shutdown.
  - .1      No additional costs will be allowed by Contractor for additional labour or materials required to provide specified performance level.

**END OF SECTION**