Procedures for Renovating Rooms Where Lead Paint is Present in Low Concentrations

Renovating older buildings poses specific hazards due to the presence of lead in the paint. The following precautions must be taken when performing this work. Prior to commencing work an Environmental Health and Safety Office is to be notified to help perform a site specific hazard assessment. This may include sampling to quantify lead content in the paint and visual assessments of the work area. Standard site preparations such as decommissioning and/or relocation of lab chemicals and/or equipment will be required.

Required Equipment:

- Duct tape
- Rip proof poly and any required framing materials

Personal Protective Equipment:

- Half-faced respirator fitted with P-100 HEPA cartridges
- Disposable coveralls
- Disposable gloves
- Eye protection

Work Procedures:

1. Ensure that all site preparation relevant to asbestos and decommissioning has been completed
2. Isolate the work area with the use of rip proof poly and framing to prevent the migration of airborne paint particulates
3. Drape fixed furnishings or equipment with poly to facilitate clean-up
4. Affixing signage to the work area to keep unauthorized people from entering for the duration of the work
5. Shut down or isolate any active HVAC in the area
6. Don personal protective equipment consisting of disposable coverall with attached booties, respirator, goggles and disposable gloves
7. Upon exiting the work area:
   a.) Doff disposable coverall and gloves and place into sealed poly bag for disposal
   b.) Remove respirator and seal cartridges with duct tape for reuse or disposal
8. Following good hygiene practices, thoroughly wash hands and face