

Lead Paint Risk Reduction Certificate Fees Introduced August 1, 2007

Landlords are required by state law to obtain Maryland State Lead Paint Risk Reduction Certificates (“Lead Certificates”) before renting properties to tenants. The Lead Certificate states that the property has acceptable levels of lead risk under Title 6, Subtitle 8 of the Environment Article. Accordingly, the State of Maryland certifies private companies to visually inspect and test properties for elevated lead levels (“Dust Test”) and if the property is considered at a safe level, issue Lead Certificates. The private company is contacted by and charges the landlord for their services. The State does not provide free Dust Tests. The Baltimore Health Department’s Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program (“CLPPP”) is qualified by the State to issue Lead Certificates and is charging market rates for their services as follows:

Visual Inspection: \$65.00

Dust Sample: \$15.00 per sample

If the rental property is abated per a Baltimore City Lead Violation Notice and therefore already has passed a dust test, then the administrative fee to issue a Lead Certificate is \$75.00.