



## Fast Track Proposed Regulation Agency Background Document

<b>Agency name</b>	Board for Asbestos, Lead, and Home Inspectors
<b>Virginia Administrative Code (VAC) citation</b>	18 VAC 15-30
<b>Regulation title</b>	Lead-Based Paint Activities Regulations
<b>Action title</b>	Correct the language for renewal of accredited lead training program approval.
<b>Date this document prepared</b>	August 7, 2014

This information is required for executive branch review and the Virginia Registrar of Regulations, pursuant to the Virginia Administrative Process Act (APA), Executive Orders 14 (2010) and 58 (1999), and the *Virginia Register Form, Style, and Procedure Manual*.

### Brief summary

*Please provide a brief summary (no more than 2 short paragraphs) of the proposed new regulation, proposed amendments to the existing regulation, or the regulation proposed to be repealed. Alert the reader to all substantive matters or changes.*

This regulatory action will amend 18VAC15-30-163 to correct terminology. The current regulation incorrectly identifies accredited "lead" training program approval as accredited "asbestos" training program approval.

### Acronyms and Definitions

*Please define all acronyms used in the Agency Background Document. Also, please define any technical terms that are used in the document that are not also defined in the "Definition" section of the regulations.*

No acronyms or technical terms were identified that were not defined in the "Definitions" section of the regulations.

**Statement of final agency action**

*Please provide a statement of the final action taken by the agency including (1) the date the action was taken, (2) the name of the agency taking the action, and (3) the title of the regulation.*

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The amended language was adopted on August 7, 2014 by the Board for Asbestos, Lead, and Home Inspectors. The language will amend the Lead-Based Paint Activities Regulations.

**Legal basis**

*Please identify the state and/or federal legal authority to promulgate this proposed regulation, including (1) the most relevant citations to the Code of Virginia or General Assembly chapter number(s), if applicable, and (2) promulgating entity, i.e., agency, board, or person. Your citation should include a specific provision authorizing the promulgating entity to regulate this specific subject or program, as well as a reference to the agency/board/person’s overall regulatory authority.*

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§ 54.1-201.5 of the Code of Virginia (<http://leg1.state.va.us/cgi-bin/legp504.exe?000+cod+54.1-201>) states that the Board has the power and duty “To promulgate regulations in accordance with the Administrative Process Act (§ 2.2-4000 et seq.) necessary to assure continued competency, to prevent deceptive or misleading practices by practitioners and to effectively administer the regulatory system administered by the regulatory board.”

§ 54.1-501 of the Code of Virginia (<http://leg1.state.va.us/cgi-bin/legp504.exe?000+cod+54.1-501>) provides the authority for the Board to promulgate regulations for the licensure of lead professionals and firms, approval of accredited lead training programs, and approval of criteria for accredited lead training programs. The content of the regulations is pursuant to the Board’s discretion, but shall not be in conflict with the purposes of the statutory authority.

**Purpose**

*Please explain the need for the new or amended regulation. Describe the rationale or justification of the proposed regulatory action. Detail the specific reasons the regulation is essential to protect the health, safety or welfare of citizens. Discuss the goals of the proposal and the problems the proposal is intended to solve.*

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In reviewing another regulatory action of the Lead-Based Paint Activities Regulations, it was discovered that the renewal fee section of the regulations inadvertently referred to the accredited asbestos training program approval instead of the accredited lead training program approval. The amendment corrects the error to avoid any possible confusion by lead training providers attempting to renew an accredited lead training program approval, which is in the best interest of the public health, safety, and welfare.

**Rationale for using fast track process**

*Please explain the rationale for using the fast track process in promulgating this regulation. Why do you expect this rulemaking to be noncontroversial?*

*Please note: If an objection to the use of the fast-track process is received within the 30-day public comment period from 10 or more persons, any member of the applicable standing committee of either house of the General Assembly or of the Joint Commission on Administrative Rules, the agency shall (i) file notice of the objections with the Registrar of Regulations for publication in the Virginia Register, and (ii) proceed with the normal promulgation process with the initial publication of the fast-track regulation serving as the Notice of Intended Regulatory Action.*

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The fast track process is being used to implement this amendment as soon as possible to avoid any possible confusion by lead training providers attempting to renew an accredited lead training program approval. This action is non-controversial since no current procedures or processes will change. Lead training providers are currently renewing their approved lead training programs.

**Substance**

*Please briefly identify and explain the new substantive provisions, the substantive changes to existing sections, or both where appropriate. (Provide more detail about these changes in the “Detail of changes” section.) Please be sure to define any acronyms.*

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The proposed amendment amends 18VAC15-30-163 simply to correct the terminology for the renewal of an accredited lead training program approval.

**Issues**

*Please identify the issues associated with the proposed regulatory action, including:*

- 1) the primary advantages and disadvantages to the public, such as individual private citizens or businesses, of implementing the new or amended provisions;*
- 2) the primary advantages and disadvantages to the agency or the Commonwealth; and*
- 3) other pertinent matters of interest to the regulated community, government officials, and the public.*

*If there are no disadvantages to the public or the Commonwealth, please indicate.*

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The primary advantage to the public, businesses, and the Commonwealth for implementing this change is to avoid any possible confusion by lead training providers attempting to renew an accredited lead training program approval. No disadvantages to either the public or the Commonwealth have been identified.

**Requirements more restrictive than federal**

*Please identify and describe any requirement of the proposal which is more restrictive than applicable federal requirements. Include a rationale for the need for the more restrictive requirements. If there are no applicable federal requirements or no requirements that exceed applicable federal requirements, include a statement to that effect.*

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There are no requirements that exceed applicable federal requirements.

**Localities particularly affected**

*Please identify any locality particularly affected by the proposed regulation. Locality particularly affected means any locality which bears any identified disproportionate material impact which would not be experienced by other localities.*

There are no particularly affected localities.

**Regulatory flexibility analysis**

*Pursuant to §2.2-4007.1B of the Code of Virginia, please describe the agency’s analysis of alternative regulatory methods, consistent with health, safety, environmental, and economic welfare, that will accomplish the objectives of applicable law while minimizing the adverse impact on small business. Alternative regulatory methods include, at a minimum: 1) the establishment of less stringent compliance or reporting requirements; 2) the establishment of less stringent schedules or deadlines for compliance or reporting requirements; 3) the consolidation or simplification of compliance or reporting requirements; 4) the establishment of performance standards for small businesses to replace design or operational standards required in the proposed regulation; and 5) the exemption of small businesses from all or any part of the requirements contained in the proposed regulation.*

This amendment poses no adverse economic impact on small businesses.

**Economic impact**

*Please identify the anticipated economic impact of the proposed new regulations or amendments to the existing regulation. When describing a particular economic impact, please specify which new requirement or change in requirement creates the anticipated economic impact. Please keep in mind that we are looking at the impact of the proposed changes to the status quo.*

**Board for Asbestos, Lead, and Home Inspectors  
Economic and Fiscal Impact of Proposed Regulation**

**Summary:**

The Lead-Based Paint Activities Regulations of the Board for Asbestos, Lead, and Home Inspectors are being revised within the renewal and late renewal fee section, to correct the reference to accredited asbestos training program approval to read accredited lead training program. No fiscal impact to the Board is expected as a result of the amendment.

All costs incurred in support of board activities and regulatory operations are paid by the Department and funded through fees paid by applicants and licensees. All boards within the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation must operate within the Code provisions of the Callahan Act (54.1-113), and the general provisions of 54.1-201. Each regulatory program’s revenues must be adequate to support both its direct costs and a proportional share of agency operating costs. The department allocates costs to its regulatory programs based on consistent, equitable, and cost-effective methodologies. The Board has no other source of income.

**Economic Impact:**

<b>Description of the individuals, businesses or other entities likely to be affected (positively or</b>	All accredited lead training programs and the related training providers.
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<b>negatively) by this regulatory proposal.</b> Think broadly, e.g., these entities may or may not be regulated by this board	
<b>Agency’s best estimate of the number of (1) entities that will be affected, including (2) small businesses affected.</b> Small business means a business, including affiliates, that is independently owned and operated, employs fewer than 500 full-time employees, or has gross annual sales of less than \$6 million.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) 14 lead training providers offering 72 training programs are affected.</li> <li>2) All 14 training providers are considered small businesses.</li> </ol>
<b>Benefits expected as a result of this regulatory proposal.</b>	Clarifies to the training providers that fee listed for renewal of the training program is applicable to their program.
<b>Projected cost to the state to implement and enforce this regulatory proposal.</b>	No costs to Virginia, the Department, or the Board are expected from this regulatory change.
<b>See Fiscal Impact by year below:</b>	
<b>Projected cost to <u>localities</u> to implement and enforce this regulatory proposal.</b>	There are no projected to costs to localities as a result of implementing or enforcing the amended regulations.
<b>All projected costs of this regulatory proposal for <u>affected individuals, businesses, or other entities.</u></b> Please be specific and include all costs, including projected reporting, recordkeeping, and other administrative costs required for compliance by small businesses, and costs related to real estate development.	No costs to individuals, businesses, or other entities are expected.

	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY2017	FY2018
Fund	NGF (0900)	NGF (0900)	NGF (0900)	NGF (0900)
Program/Service Area	560 46	560 46	560 46	560 46

Impact of Regulatory Changes:				
One-Time Costs	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ongoing Costs	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Fiscal Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

**Alternatives**

*Please describe any viable alternatives to the proposal considered and the rationale used by the agency to select the least burdensome or intrusive alternative that meets the essential purpose of the action. Also, include discussion of less intrusive or less costly alternatives for small businesses, as defined in §2.2-4007.1 of the Code of Virginia, of achieving the purpose of the regulation.*

No viable alternatives could be identified.

**Family impact**

*Please assess the impact of the proposed regulatory action on the institution of the family and family stability including to what extent the regulatory action will: 1) strengthen or erode the authority and rights of parents in the education, nurturing, and supervision of their children; 2) encourage or discourage economic self-sufficiency, self-pride, and the assumption of responsibility for oneself, one’s spouse, and one’s children and/or elderly parents; 3) strengthen or erode the marital commitment; and 4) increase or decrease disposable family income.*

A family impact has not been identified.

**Detail of changes**

*Please list all changes that are being proposed and the consequences of the proposed changes. If the proposed regulation is a new chapter, describe the intent of the language and the expected impact. Please describe the difference between existing regulation(s) and/or agency practice(s) and what is being proposed in this regulatory action.*

*If the proposed regulation is intended to replace an emergency regulation, please list separately (1) all differences between the **pre-emergency** regulation and this proposed regulation, and (2) only changes made since the publication of the emergency regulation.*

For changes to existing regulation(s) or regulations that are being repealed and replaced, use this chart:

<b>Current section number</b>	<b>Proposed new section number, if applicable</b>	<b>Current requirement</b>	<b>Proposed change, intent, rationale, and likely impact of proposed requirements</b>
18VAC15-30-163	N/A	Lists the renewal fee for an accredited “asbestos” training program approval.	The proposed change replaces the terminology “asbestos” with “lead” to correctly identify the appropriate training program approval.