

In accordance with § 2.2-4002.1 of the Code of Virginia, this proposed guidance document conforms to the definition of a guidance document in § 2.2-4101 and is available for public comment from March 4, 2019, through April 3, 2019.



Board for Asbestos, Lead, and Home Inspectors

PROPOSED Guidance Document:

Requirement to take the Virginia Lead Law Examination

Adopted February 7, 2019

Effective upon conclusion of the public comment period required pursuant to § 2.2-4002.1 of the Code of Virginia



I. Background

Applicants for Lead Risk Assessor, Lead Inspector, and Lead Supervisor must take the applicable discipline-specific exam. In addition, all candidates must take the Virginia Lead Law examination. The Virginia Lead Law exam is the same for all disciplines.

II. Issue

Pursuant to the PCS Candidate Information Bulletin for the Virginia Lead Abatement exams (attached), the Virginia Law exam is based on Chapter 5 of Title 54.1 of the Code of Virginia and the Lead-Based Paint Activities Regulations. There have been no substantial changes related to lead abatement licensing laws and regulations since 2004

and 2003, respectively. Currently, an individual who applies for a Lead Risk Assessor and Lead Inspector license at the same time would have to take the same Virginia Lead Law exam with each discipline-specific exam, in some instances just days apart.

III. Board Guidance

The Board voted that an individual would not be required to re-take the Virginia Lead Law exam if applying for another discipline or reapplying as a result of an expired license if that individual has taken and passed the Virginia Lead Law exam within the last three years. However, this three-year waiver for re-taking the Virginia Lead Law examination will not be applicable in the event there are significant changes to the laws and/or regulations that results in an examination review and update. Anyone required by regulation to take a lead licensing examination, to include the Virginia Lead Law exam, would have to take the Virginia Lead Law exam after the date of implementation of the updated examination regardless of when they may have previously taken the Virginia Lead Law exam.

The Virginia Board for Asbestos, Lead, and Home Inspectors will be taking public comment on this proposed guidance document regarding the requirement for lead license applicants to retake the Virginia Lead Law examination. A 30-day comment period will begin on March 4, 2019.

If you wish to comment on the proposed guidance document, you may do so via the Town Hall website or you may submit written comments so that they are received no later than April 3, 2019 to:

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