

Piedmont Paint & Finish Highlights Lead-Safe Painting Practices for Older Charlottesville Homes

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Piedmont Paint & Finish in Charlottesville, VA, is drawing attention to lead-safe painting practices for homeowners living in older properties, where layers of aging paint can pose health risks during renovation and repainting projects. With many residences in the area predating modern paint regulations, the company is emphasizing the importance of proper preparation, containment, and cleanup methods when working on surfaces that may contain lead-based coatings.

Homes built before 1978 frequently contain lead-based paint, which was widely used until federal restrictions took effect. When these surfaces are disturbed through sanding, scraping, or demolition, lead dust and chips can become hazardous. Lead-safe work practices are designed to minimize that exposure through careful surface preparation, protective barriers, and thorough site cleanup after a project is complete.

"Many of the homes in this region carry decades of history, and that often means multiple layers of older paint," said Charles Davis, speaking for Piedmont Paint & Finish. "Approaching those projects with

professional painters with lead safe certification protects both the household and the crew. It is a matter of doing the work responsibly from the first step to the last."

The company applies lead-safe practices across its interior and exterior residential painting services, where older surfaces are most commonly encountered. These practices include containing work areas, controlling dust during preparation, and ensuring debris is handled and disposed of properly. The approach pairs with the company's broader focus on detailed surface preparation, which contributes to longer-lasting results.

Beyond residential work, Piedmont Paint & Finish offers commercial painting, shop painting for cabinets and furniture, and power washing for both residential and commercial properties. The company also operates a paint store, Pigment Paint Supply, which carries brands such as Mythic, Ferrell Calhoun, and the locally made Good Bones Paint, along with supplies and specialty paints for do-it-yourself projects.

Davis noted that awareness remains an important part of the process for homeowners considering updates to older properties. "A conversation about the age of a home and its paint history is one of the first steps," he said. "Understanding what may be beneath the surface helps determine the right preparation and keeps everyone informed before the work begins."

The company's shop painting service focuses on refinishing and custom finishes for cabinets and furniture, including antique restoration intended to preserve the character of each piece. Its power washing service uses high-powered equipment to remove dirt, grime, mold, and other buildup from exterior surfaces, a step that often precedes exterior painting.

For older homes throughout the community, the company continues to combine color consultation, quality materials, and lead-safe preparation as part of its standard residential approach. Homeowners planning projects on properties built in earlier decades are encouraged to consider the age of existing coatings as part of their planning.

Piedmont Paint & Finish in Charlottesville, VA, serves residential and commercial clients with painting, refinishing, and power washing services. The company describes its approach as professional, punctual, and transparent, with a team experienced in interior, exterior, and specialty finish work across a range of property types.

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