

**UTAH DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSE AND REMEDIATION
Decontamination Specialist Certification Program
General Information Regarding a Rule Change
and Other Requirements**

The following information has been assembled to provide an update for Certified Decontamination Specialists.

Repeal of R311-501

R311-501 Illegal Drug Operations Site Reporting and Decontamination Act, Contesting an Initial Order or Notice was repealed on September 28, 2010. This rule was repealed because it is no longer necessary. The Utah Department of Environmental Quality is currently developing comprehensive adjudicative rules that will apply to all of the Department's boards. Meanwhile, if an adjudicative proceeding arises in the interim, the provisions in the Utah Administrative Procedures Act (UAPA) will be applied.

Asbestos and Lead-Based Paint

The disturbance, removal, and/or disposal of asbestos and lead-based paint must be performed in compliance with all Federal, State, and local requirements.

Please note: Certification as a Decontamination Specialist does not mean you are certified to perform asbestos and/or lead-based paint related work. Certification as asbestos worker, contractor/supervisor, inspector, project designer, or management planner OR lead-based paint dust sampling technician, abatement worker, supervisor, project designer, renovator, inspector, or risk assessor must be obtained separately.

For further information, please see the attached brochures, following links, and contact information:

Asbestos - <https://deq.utah.gov/air-quality/atlas-air-toxics-lead-and-asbestos-section/asbestos-program>

Lead-Based Paint - <https://deq.utah.gov/air-quality/lead-based-paint-program>

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Reporting Requirements

Section 19-6-904 of the Illegal Drug Operations Site Reporting and Decontamination Act states that a Certified Decontamination Specialist is required to report to the local health department the location of any property that is the subject of decontamination work by that decontamination specialist. For further information on reporting requirements, please contact a local health department representative.