

# Work Safely With Lead

Ensure levels of lead in the blood are kept to a minimum by following the safety guidelines.

## Hands

- Apply barrier cream before starting work.
- Wear gloves when handling lead.
- Keep hands away from your face.
- Don't bite your fingernails and keep them short.
- After finishing work, scrub hands thoroughly using industrial hand cleaner or heavy duty lead wipes.



Lead can only be absorbed by:  
**Inhalation:**  
**Breathing in Dust or Fumes**

**Ingestion:**  
**By Eating or Passing Hand to Mouth**

## Face/Mouth

- Use disposable tissues rather than handkerchiefs.
- Never eat, drink or smoke when working with lead.
- When welding or stripping lead, wear an appropriate, clean mask.



## Arms/Body

- Wear the correct PPE.
- Remove work wear before leaving site.
- Always wash work wear separately, ideally on site.
- If frequently working with lead, ensure blood lead levels are tested regularly.
- Large rolls (weighing more than 25kg) should be handled with assistance or appropriate lifting equipment.



*Information requirement in compliance with article 33 of the REACH regulations (SVHC/Candidate list).*

Lead is made from pure recycled lead (EC No 231-100-4/CAS No (EC Listing) 7439-92-1).



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