New City of Grand Rapids Ordinances Pertaining to Lead Hazards.
(effective July 26, 2005)

Sec. 8.587. Loose Paint Particles.

(1) Loose Paint Particles, Removal Required

The owner of a dwelling or dwelling unit shall not allow loose paint particles in the interior or exterior of a dwelling or dwelling unit. If the loose paint on the cited surface can be satisfactorily demonstrated to not contain lead, no hazardous condition shall exist.

(2) Bare Soil

From May 1 through October 31, bare soil located within thirty (30) inches of the foundation wall of any structure is prohibited and shall be presumed to be a hazardous condition. Such presumed hazardous condition shall be corrected by proper installation of dense vegetation, permanent paving material, or a minimum six-inch deep cover of loose material such as bark, wood chips, or stone, unless the owner provides testing performed by a Risk Assessor or Lead Paint Inspector that the cited soil does not contain lead hazards.

(3) Remodeling, Repair or Painting

Any remodeling, repair or painting of residential structures constructed prior to 1978 is to be conducted in compliance with the Lead Safe Work Practices as established by the United Stated Environmental Protection Agency and/or the United States Office of Housing and Urban Development.

Former Ordinance

Sec. 8.715. Paint Hazards.

Paint chips lying on the floor of the interior of a dwelling or dwelling unit, or upon the ground shall be considered to be a hazardous condition. Such hazardous conditions shall be abated by proper removal and disposal of paint chips.

(Ord. No. 2001-03, § 1, 1-23-01)