WAC 365-230-040 Requirements for the accreditation of training programs. For a training program to obtain accreditation from the department to offer lead-based paint activities courses, lead-based paint renovation courses or dust sampling technician courses, the program shall meet the following requirements:

(1) The training program shall employ a training manager who has:
   (a) At least two years of experience, education, or training in teaching workers or adults; or
   (b) A bachelor's or graduate degree in building construction technology, engineering, industrial hygiene, safety, public health, education, business administration or program management or a related field; or
   (c) Two years of experience in managing a training program specializing in environmental hazards; and
   (d) Demonstrated experience, education, or training in the construction industry including: Lead or asbestos abatement, painting, carpentry, renovation, remodeling, occupational safety and health, or industrial hygiene.

(2) The training manager shall designate a qualified principal instructor for each course who has:
   (a) Demonstrated experience, education, or training in teaching workers or adults; and
   (b) Successfully completed at least sixteen hours of any department-accredited, EPA-accredited or tribal-accredited lead-specific training for instructors of lead-based paint activities courses; or at least eight hours of any department-accredited, EPA-accredited or tribal-accredited lead-specific training for instructors of renovator or dust sampling technician courses; and
   (c) Demonstrated experience, education, or training in lead or asbestos abatement, painting, carpentry, renovation, remodeling, occupational safety and health, or industrial hygiene.

(3) The principal instructor shall be responsible for the organization of the course, course delivery, and oversight of the teaching of all course material. The training manager may designate guest instructors as needed for a portion of the course to provide instruction specific to the lecture, hands-on activities, or work practice components of a course. However, the principal instructor is primarily responsible for teaching the course materials and must be present to provide instruction (or oversight of portions of the course taught by guest instructors) for the course for which he has been designated the principal instructor.

(4) The following documents shall be recognized by the department as evidence that training managers and principal instructors have the education, work experience, training requirements or demonstrated experience, specifically listed in subsections (1), (2), and (3) of this section. This documentation must be submitted with the accreditation application, and retained by the training program as required by the recordkeeping requirements contained in WAC 365-230-090. Those documents include the following:
   (a) Official academic transcripts or diploma as evidence of meeting the education requirements.
   (b) Resumes, letters of reference, or documentation of work experience, as evidence of meeting the work experience requirements.
   (c) Certificates from train-the-trainer courses and lead-specific training courses, as evidence of meeting the training requirements.

(5) The training program shall ensure the availability of, and provide adequate facilities for, the delivery of the lecture, course
test, hands-on training, and assessment activities. This includes providing training equipment that reflects current work practices and maintaining or updating the equipment and facilities as needed.

(6) To become accredited in the following disciplines, the training program shall provide training courses that meet the following training hour requirements:

(a) The inspector course shall last a minimum of twenty-four training hours, with a minimum of eight hours devoted to hands-on training activities. The minimum curriculum requirements for the inspector course are contained in WAC 365-230-050.

(b) The risk assessor course shall last a minimum of sixteen training hours, with a minimum of four hours devoted to hands-on training activities. The minimum curriculum requirements for the risk assessor course are contained in WAC 365-230-050.

(c) The supervisor course shall last a minimum of thirty-two training hours, with a minimum of eight hours devoted to hands-on activities. The minimum curriculum requirements for the supervisor course are contained in WAC 365-230-050.

(d) The project designer course shall last a minimum of eight training hours. The minimum curriculum requirements for the project designer course are contained in WAC 365-230-050.

(e) The abatement worker course shall last a minimum of sixteen training hours, with a minimum of eight hours devoted to hands-on training activities. The minimum curriculum requirements for the abatement worker course are contained in WAC 365-230-050.

(f) The renovator course must last a minimum of eight training hours, with a minimum of two hours devoted to hands-on training activities. The minimum curriculum requirements for the renovator course are contained in WAC 365-230-050(6).

(g) The dust sampling technician course must last a minimum of eight training hours, with a minimum of two hours devoted to hands-on training activities. The minimum curriculum requirements for the dust sampling technician course are contained in WAC 365-230-050(7).

(7) Electronic learning and other alternative course delivery methods are permitted for the classroom portion of renovator, dust sampling technician, or lead-based paint activities courses but not the hands-on portion of these courses, or for final course tests or proficiency tests described in subsection (8) of this section.

(a) A unique identifier must be assigned to each student for them to use to launch and relaunch the course.

(b) The training provider must track each student's course logins, launches, progress, and completion, and maintain these records in accordance with WAC 365-230-090.

(c) The course must include periodic knowledge checks equivalent to the number and content of the knowledge checks contained in EPA's model course, but at least sixteen over the entire course. The knowledge checks must be successfully completed before the student can go on to the next module.

(d) There must be at least twenty questions at the end of the electronic learning portion of the course. The test must be designed so that students do not receive feedback on their test answers until after they have completed and submitted the test.

(e) Each student must be able to save or print a copy of an electronic learning course completion certificate. The electronic certificate must not be susceptible to easy editing.

(8) For each course offered, the training program shall conduct either a course test at the completion of the course, and if applicable-
ble, a hands-on skills assessment, or in the alternative, a proficiency test for that discipline. Each student must successfully complete the hands-on skills assessment and receive a passing score on the course test to pass any course, or successfully complete a proficiency test.

(a) The training manager is responsible for maintaining the validity and integrity of the hands-on skills assessment or proficiency test to ensure that it accurately evaluates the trainees' performance of the work practices and procedures associated with the course topics contained in WAC 365-230-050.

(b) The training manager is responsible for maintaining the validity and integrity of the course test to ensure that it accurately evaluates the trainees' knowledge and retention of the course topics.

(c) The course test shall be developed in accordance with the test blueprint submitted with the training accreditation application.

(9) The training program shall issue unique course completion certificates to each individual who passes the training course. The course completion certificate shall include:

(a) The name, address, and telephone number of the training program.

(b) The name, a unique identification number, and address of the individual.

(c) The name of the particular course that the individual completed.

(d) The language in which the course was taught.

(e) Dates of course completion/test passage.

(f) Course completion certificates for initial inspector, risk assessor, project designer, supervisor, or abatement worker are proof of successful course completion to take the state exam for a period of six months from the date of course completion.

(g) For renovator and dust sampling technician course completion certificates, a photograph of the individual. The photograph must be an accurate and recognizable image of the individual. As reproduced on the certificate, the photograph must not be smaller than one square inch.

(10) The training manager shall develop and implement a quality control plan. The plan shall be used to maintain and improve the quality of the training program over time. This plan shall contain at least the following elements:

(a) Procedures for periodic revision of training materials and the course test to reflect innovations in the field.

(b) Procedures for the training manager's annual review of principal instructor competency.

(11) Courses offered by the training program must teach the work practice standards contained in WAC 365-230-200 and 365-230-330 as applicable in such a manner that trainees are provided with the knowledge needed to perform the renovations or the lead-based paint activities they will be responsible for conducting.

(12) The training manager shall be responsible for ensuring that the training program complies at all times with all of the requirements in this section.

(13) The training manager shall allow the department to audit the training program to verify the contents of the application for accreditation as described in subsection (2) of this section.

(14) A course audit shall include, but not be limited to, a review of: Instructional curriculum; examination design, administration and security procedures, and results, including those of demonstration
An accredited training provider may not implement changes in method or content that affects one half-hour or more of contact instruction without ten business days advance notice of the changes to department.

The training provider is responsible for ensuring that the training manager and principal instructor comply with the requirements of this rule.

Whenever there is a change in either the training manager or principal instructor for an accredited training course, the training provider shall notify the department of this change within thirty days, along with documentation demonstrating the appropriate qualifications as described in this section.

The training provider shall use a system for verifying the positive identification of all trainees. Trainees without proper identification may not take the course exam.