The Construction Industry Licensing Board of Palm Beach County and Contractors Certification Division was established to protect the citizens of Palm Beach County through a certification system of 49 different construction trades.

The Trades Affecting Homeowners Include:

- General
- Electric
- Plumbing
- HARV (Heating, A/C, Refrigeration & Ventilation)
- Building
- Journeyman Plumber
- Journeyman Electrical
- Residential

Specialty Trades

- Acoustical/Suspended Ceiling
- Aluminum Specialties
- Carpentry
- Carpentry - Finish
- Concrete Forming & Placing
- Countertop (Eff. 1/15)
- Decorative Metal
- Demolition
- Dredging & Land Filling
- Drywall
- Fabric Awning
- Fence
- Garage Door
- Glass & Glazing
- Gunite
- Hurricane Shutter/Awning
- Insulation
- Irrigation Sprinkler
- Lightning Protection System
- Low Voltage
- Marine
- Masonry
- Painting
- Paver Brick/Paver Systems
- Paving
- Plastering
- Reinforcing Steel
- Re-Screener/Screen Repair
- Roofing
- Seal Coating/Striping
- Sign Contractor/Electrical
- Sign Contractor/Non-Electrical
- Structural Steel Erection
- Swimming Pool Construction
- Swimming Pool Maintenance & Repair
- Tennis Court
- Tile, Terrazzo & Stone
- Underground/Overhead Transmission Lines
- Underground Utilities
- Windows/Door
- Wood Flooring

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Each year, the staff of Contractors Certification Division assist the citizens in recovering thousands of dollars in would-be losses. YOU can be your best defense against losses by not dealing with uncertified contractors. Using qualified, licensed contractors is not just a good idea... IT’S THE LAW!

YOU CAN HELP YOURSELF!

Simply by following the steps below, you can greatly reduce your risk of loss to an uncertified contractor:

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<td>Ask to see the contractor’s Certificate of Liability and Workers Compensation Insurance Certificate.</td>
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And lastly, confirm that your chosen contractor is licensed and possesses current insurance by accessing the Palm Beach County Contractors Certification website at: www.pbcgov.com/pzb/contractors (search under contractor lookup/contractor information)

WARNING SIGNS

WHICH INDICATE THE PERSON AND/OR COMPANY IS NOT CERTIFIED

- Newspaper/flyer ads, which do not include the individual’s or company’s contractor license number.
- A Business Tax Receipt (formerly Occupational License) is a tax paid to the County allowing an entity to work within County perimeters, this is not a license.
- A large down payment requested before work begins.
- Statements, such as, “It will be cheaper if you obtain your own permit.”
- Oral contract only.
- The contractor prefers to work on weekends or after hours.
- Someone other than the person/company you contracted with obtains a building permit.
- Unable to provide a copy of their certificate of insurance.

WARNING

Hiring an unlicensed contractor, while possibly saving a little money, could result in one or more of the following problems:

- Paying for the work twice.
- Insurance coverage problems.
- Poor workmanship and/or construction that does not meet building code standards, resulting in the work being torn out and redone.
- Possible code enforcement actions with daily fines to the property owner.
- Loss of eligibility to the State of Florida’s Homeowners’ Construction Recovery Fund.
- Delays with title insurance when selling the property.

Help Us Help You

Verify a contractors certificate of competency before you enter into a contract.

It’s your money, protect it!

So before hiring an unlicensed contractor, ask yourself this question: Is it worth the risk?