

Contractor – Trades



Article III Chapter 22 of the Code of Laws and Ordinances for Collier County and Chapter 489 of the Florida Statutes require that contractors be licensed. The Collier County Building Review and Permitting Division Contractor Licensing Section regulates licensed contractors and prosecutes unlicensed contractors. The Contractor Licensing Section can inform you whether your potential contractor is licensed and will investigate any complaint you may have against a contractor.

ALL CODE REFERENCES ARE **PER FLORIDA STATE STATUTE 489 OR COUNTY ORDINANCE** UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

DEFINED AS PER F.S.S. 489.105(3)

CONTRACTOR MEANS THE PERSON WHO IS QUALIFIED FOR AND RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ENTIRE PROJECT CONTRACTED FOR AND, EXCEPT FOR THOSE HEREIN EXEMPTED, THE PERSON WHO, FOR COMPENSATION, UNDERTAKES TO, OR SUBMITS A BID TO, OR DOES THEMSELF OR BY OTHERS, ANY OR ALL OF THE FOLLOWING: CONSTRUCT, REPAIR, ALTER, REMODEL, ADD TO, DEMOLISH, SUBTRACT FROM, OR IMPROVE ANY BUILDING OR STRUCTURE, INCLUDING RELATED IMPROVEMENTS TO REAL ESTATE, FOR OTHERS, OR FOR RESALE TO OTHERS, AS HEREINAFTER DEFINED IN FLORIDA STATE STATUTE 489.

REGULATED TRADES

- DIVISION 1 TRADES:** GENERAL, BUILDING, AND RESIDENTIAL
- DIVISION 2 TRADES:** PLUMBING, ELECTRICAL, ROOFING, MECHANICAL, AIR CONDITIONING, SWIMMING POOLS, SHEET METAL
- SPECIALTY TRADES:**

ACOUSTICAL	INSULATION
ALUMINUM	IRRIGATION SPRINKLER
ALUMINUM	LANDSCAPING
ALARM SYSTEM I	LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS INSTALLATION
ALARM SYSTEM II	MARINE, SEAWALL, AND DOCK CONSTRUCTION
BURGLAR ALARM	MASONRY
CABINET INSTALLATION	PAVING BLOCKS
CARPENTRY	PAINTING
GARAGE DOOR INSTALLATION	PAVING
COMMERCIAL COOKING EQUIPMENT	PLASTERING AND STUCCO
EXHAUST HOOD INSTALLATION	POLLUTANT STORAGE
CONCRETE FORMING AND PLACING	REINFORCED STEEL
CONCRETE PLACING AND FINISHING	ROOF COATING, ROOF PAINTING, AND ROOF CLEANING
CONCRETE	SANDBLASTING
DECORATIVE METAL	SATELLITE DISH INSTALLATION
DEMOLITION OR WRECKING	SEALING AND STRIPING
DREDGING	EXTERIOR COVERING BY ARTIFICIAL STUCCO SYSTEM
DRYWALL	NONELECTRICAL SIGN
HURRICANE SHUTTER/AWNING	ELECTRICAL SIGN
EPOXY STONE	SOLAR HEATER INSTALLATION
EXCAVATION	STRUCTURAL STEEL ERECTION
FENCE ERECTION	STRUCTURE MOVING
FLOOR COVERINGS INSTALLATION	TILE AND MARBLE INSTALLATION
GASOLINE TANK AND PUMP	TILE, MARBLE AND TERRAZZO INSTALLATION
GLASS AND GLAZING	UNDERGROUND UTILITY AND EXCAVATION
	TREE REMOVAL AND TRIMMING

4. LICENSED CONTRACTORS HAVE A SET OF CRITERIA THAT THEY NEED TO MEET IN ORDER TO QUALIFY. EACH TRADE AS LISTED ABOVE HAS A MINIMUM AMOUNT OF EXPERIENCE THAT MUST BE OBTAINED PRIOR TO LICENSURE.
 5. PROSPECTIVE CONTRACTORS OR CONTRACTORS CURRENTLY LICENSED TO NEED TO MAINTAIN A CREDIT SCORE OF **660 OR ABOVE**.
 6. CONTRACTORS MUST BE FREE OF SIGNIFICANT CRIMINAL HISTORY. THE EXISTENCE OF CERTAIN FELONIES IN LIMITED AMOUNTS IS ALLOWED BUT TYPICALLY RESULT IN A DENIAL OF LICENSURE.
 7. ALL TESTS THAT ACCOMPANY THE PROCESS WHICH ARE KNOWN AS **TRADE EXAMS** ARE INDIVIDUALIZED AND ARE REQUIRED FOR LICENSURE. MOST TESTS ALSO REQUIRE THE **PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES EXAM**. A MINIMUM TEST SCORE IS REQUIRED TO PASS.
 8. FAILURE OF A LICENSEE TO TAKE ACTION CORRECTING THE VIOLATION WITHIN A SET PERIOD OF TIME (**OFTEN 30 DAYS**) WOULD THEN RESULT IN THE INSTITUTION OF FURTHER DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS.
 9. LICENSED CONTRACTORS ARE REGULATED BY **CHAPTER 489**.
LICENSED ENGINEERS ARE REGULATED BY **CHAPTER 471**.
LICENSED ARCHITECTS ARE REGULATED UNDER **CHAPTER 481**.
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ADVISEMENT: Hiring an unlicensed contractor could result in a \$5,000.00 fine to the property owner. Hiring Unlicensed contractors propagates an unnecessary danger to self and community.

ADVISEMENT: Construction that proceeds without required inspection shall result in a Stop Work Order being posted and result in an investigation and a magistrate meeting. This includes a 3x fee multiplier for the property owner and a possible lien.

SUBMIT ALL QUESTIONS REGARDING CONTRACTORS TO:

Marco Island

James Reynolds
Administrative Inspector & Investigator
Building Services
1310 San Marco Road – Suite B
239.389.3989

Collier County

Collier County Contractor Licensing
Building Department
2800 N Horseshoe Drive
239.252.2431

Florida

Department of Business and Professional Regulation
2601 Blair Stone Road
Tallahassee, FL 32399
1.866.532.1440.