

Before
you hire a
Contractor,
check with us



**Louisiana State Licensing Board
for Contractors**

**2525 Quail Drive
Baton Rouge, LA 70808-9042**

(800) 256-1392 (225) 765-2301

It's State Law!

Warning!

Don't apply for a building permit on behalf of the contractor. This is a **crime**, and both the homeowner and the contractor may be arrested.

Tips for Hiring a Contractor

- ♦ Hire only Louisiana State licensed contractors
- ♦ Verify contractor license or registration number at 1-800-256-1392 or on the web at www.lslbc.louisiana.gov
- ♦ Get at least three local references and review contractor experience
- ♦ Get at least three bids on the work
- ♦ Get a **written** contract and don't sign anything until you understand the terms of your contract
- ♦ Pay 10% down or \$1000, whichever is less
- ♦ Don't let payments get ahead of work completed
- ♦ **Don't make final payment until you are satisfied with the job**

Contractors license required for

- ♦ Commercial Projects over \$50,000
- ♦ Residential new construction of single family homes over \$75,000
- ♦ Home Improvement or Remodeling from \$1,500 to \$75,000
- ♦ Hazardous Materials or mold remediation over \$1

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