



#### HOMEOWNER'S CHECKLIST

## PROTECT YOURSELF WHEN REMODELING YOUR HOME

### COLLOM CONSTRUCTION CAN HELP GUIDE YOU





#### WHEN CHOOSING A CONTRACTOR USE THIS LIST TO PROTECT YOURSELF!

**CONTRATOR'S LICENSE:** Is the contractor licensed? Contact the Contractor state License Board (CSLB) 1-800-321-2752 or go to CSLB.CA.GOV to verify.

- Is the license in good standing?
- Is the salesperson or the business owner you are talking to listed on the CSLB personnel list?

**LIABILITY INSURANCE:** Does the contractor have minimum two million dollar general liability insurance? Is the contractor willing to put you as additional insured on the policy?

**WORKERS's COMPENSATION:** Does the contractor have Workers Compensation Insurance covering all employees? Is the contractor willing to supply a certificate of insurance?

**REFERENCES:** Does the contractor have satisfied customers and reliable references?

Call 3 references of completed projects similar to yours

**WRITTEN PROPOSAL:** Is the contractor willing to give you a detailed written proposal and contract?

**CONTRACT:** What is an H.I.C? A Home Improvement Contract is required by the CSLB and must include a detailed scope of work.

**DEPOSIT:** By CSLB law all down payments should not exceed \$1000.00 or 10% of the contracted price, whichever is less.

**REPUTATION:** Is the contractor a member in good standing with your area Better Business Bureau? Does the BBB have any complaints filed with the contractor? Call the Better Business Bureau - (619) 496-2131 or go to BBB.ORG.

# Don't use anyone who can't answer **YES** to all of these questions.



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