



# THE TRUSTWORTHY CONTRACTOR CHECKLIST

Sometimes it can be a little scary trusting a company to build a complex project for your home. After all, you're spending thousands of dollars on something that is very meaningful and personal to your lifestyle. Fortunately, we've made it easy for you to know what essential things you need to verify that will put you at ease. Use this checklist to make sure you hire a trustworthy contractor every time!!



## 1. Are they licensed

If you are considering spending thousands of dollars with a company make sure they are licensed with the state to perform the work you are requesting. If not it could be a disaster. Thankfully we've made it easy for you to verify! Simply ask for their license number and enter it here:

<https://www.dpor.virginia.gov/LicenseLookup/>

You can verify license status and see if there are any complaints or judgments against their license as well. If they don't have a license number or its a license number tied to a different name or company thats a huge red flag; run away!!

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## 2. Are they insured

Don't just take their word for it. Ask for a COI (certificate of insurance, it'll make you sound well researched) with current status and coverage. A reputable insured company will be able to have one emailed to you within one business day.

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## 3. Do they have references

Ask for a reference list. A reputable company will have a list of happy homeowners who have said "we're happy to refer you anytime". You should be able to choose who to contact from said list.

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## 4. Is their reputation known

Do they have good reviews on Google, Facebook etc. It should be very easy to find out what people are saying on line. Just like your favorite restaurant, they should have a proven track record of producing a quality product with excellent customer service!

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