

*You owe it to yourself to
find out.*

Do yourself a favor.

According to Florida law,

Consumers who hire unlicensed contractors could face a fine of up to \$5,000.

Chapter 455.228 of the Florida Statutes allows the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to request the circuit courts to impose a civil penalty from \$500 to \$5,000 on individuals who aid and abet unlicensed construction contractors. They may also be held liable for court costs.

Aiding and abetting is defined by the Statute as very simply: Anyone who employs an unlicensed contractor or company.

For more information visit

www.myfloridalicense.com

To report an unlicensed contractor call

(866) 532-1440

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Checklist

- Before hiring someone to work at your home, determine if they can:
- Provide you proof of state licensure.
- Provide you with a signed contract.
- Provide you with proof of workman's comp insurance.
- Provide you with proof of liability insurance.
- Provide you with proof of membership in the AAF.

Beware

Omission of state license numbers on signs, ads, contracts, proposals, letterheads, etc.

Requests for large deposits. Receipt of deposits should be for purchasing initial job materials.

Inability to provide references upon request.

Unmarked/privately owned vehicles.

*QUALITY WORK IS NOT CHEAP...
...CHEAP WORK IS NOT GOOD!*

The Informed Consumer

The following
information is
being provided to
you by a member
of the

**Aluminum
Association of
Florida**

*Be savvy...
not sorry.*



*A little bit about the
Aluminum Association of Florida*

You should know that

Any alteration of your enclosure that could be considered a structural change should only be done by a **licensed contractor**.

This does include pool enclosure fastener change-outs, screen door replacement, pool enclosure gutter replacement, and guide wire replacement, to name a few. Removable-type windows such as soft vinyl, or acrylic/glass windows & window replacement are also considered structural alterations, as are carports and screen porches, and should only be performed by a **licensed contractor**.

The Aluminum Association of Florida is the professional trade association for aluminum contractors, aluminum fabricators, and aluminum related businesses.

The association was organized by a few aluminum contractors in 1974 out of necessity due to a lack of aluminum building codes or guidelines for building department inspectors to properly evaluate aluminum construction projects.

The not for profit association is the professionals trade group for contractors, fabricators, and suppliers of products and services to them. It has chapters throughout Florida and continues to grow.

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*Licensed Contractors
provide the knowledge
and expertise you seek
for your home
improvement projects*

Your licensed contractor

has decided to commit to a field of practice – no different than your doctor or lawyer. He or she has studied and interned and passed testing to obtain a **Florida state issued license**.

Your licensed contractor has obtained the necessary insurance for his company and his employees.

Your licensed contractor is accountable to the State of Florida. Additionally, as a member of the Aluminum Association of Florida, he/she has made a commitment to uphold the code of ethics set forth for our industry.

*Our Mission is to Provide You With
Quality Workmanship at a Fair Price*