Hiring a Contractor Checklist

Are you planning to remodel your home? This checklist will help you make sure you’ve done everything you need to do for your project. Check off each item when they’re complete.

___ Get three written estimates for the job.
___ Verify the licenses of all contractors and subcontractors with DCCA Call 587-3222
___ Check prior complaints history for all contractors and subcontractors with DCCA Call 587-3222
___ Ask contractor for references
___ Request a list of subcontractors to be used
___ Draw up a written contract
___ Read the entire contract and understand all the terms and conditions
___ Purchase performance, material and completion bonds through the contractor
___ Obtain the appropriate building permits
___ See and understand any plans and blueprints before approving them
___ Periodically check on the progress of the work
___ Get lien releases from subcontractors and material supplies
___ Keep copies of all documents and correspondence
___ Publish a notice of completion in the newspaper once the job is done.