

**OWNER-BUILDER EXEMPTION
DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Florida Statutes 2000
Title XXXII, Chapter 489-103

State Law requires construction to be done by licensed contractors. You have applied for a permit under an exemption to the law.

The exemption allows you, as the owner of your property, to act as your own contractor with certain restrictions even though you do not have licenses:

1. YOU, yourself, must provide direct, onsite supervision of the construction.
2. YOU, may build or improve a one-family or two family residence or a farm outbuilding.
3. YOU, may also build or improve a commercial building, provided your cost does not exceed 2,500. The building or residence must be for your own use or occupancy. It may not be built or substantially improved for sale or lease. If you sell or lease a building you have built or substantially improved within (1) year after the construction is complete, the law will presume that you built or substantially improved it for sale or lease, which is a violation of the exemption.
4. YOU, may not hire an unlicensed person to act as your contractor or to supervise people working on your building. It is your responsibility to make sure that people employed by you have licenses required by state law and by county or municipal licensing ordinances.
5. **YOU, may not delegate, the responsibility for supervising work to a licensed contractor who is not licensed to perform the work being done.**
6. **Any person** working on your building who is not licensed must work under your direct supervision and must be employed by you, which means that you must deduct F.I.C.A. and withholding tax and provide workers compensation for that employee, all as prescribed by law.

Your construction must comply with all applicable law, ordinances, building codes, and zoning regulations.

I have read and understand these restrictions, and that fines and other penalties can be enforced by the State for non-compliance.

Signature of Property Owner

Date

Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me this _____ day of _____ 20____, and who is personally known or who has produced _____ as identification.

Notary Public

(Stamp)