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Free, Fast & Fascinating

Great Start for New Contractor Education Seminars

The Contractors State License Board's fourth annual series of Free, Fast and Fascinating contractor education seminars kicked off in January. One of a few twists to the program this year—two daytime sessions—gave contractors the option of attending early in the day rather than adding an evening event to an already full workday. Also new this year are industry-related exhibits. Exhibitors such as the local Building Department and Builder's Exchange, a book store and the local chapters of the Small Business Administration and NARI were on hand to answer questions, provide products and give contractors first-hand information about their services.

Each session includes a 70-minute presentation "Does Your Contract Measure Up?" and a Q&A session with a panel of experts from the Board, Cal/OSHA and the local Building Department.

Four seminars held so far have included a Saturday meeting in Santa Clara, two seminars in Sacramento (one during the day) and a seminar in Fresno. The well-attended Saturday seminar held in Santa Clara received high accolades from attendees happy for the opportunity to participate without missing work or staying out late. After each three-hour



Contractors check in and gather to ask questions and pick up information from local associations, agencies and industry representatives at the recent Santa Clara seminar.

seminar, participants' feedback was positive and appreciative.

Remaining seminars are scheduled for March and April in Van Nuys and Carlsbad, each from 6-9:30 p.m. Don't miss your chance to benefit—use the registration form on the back page to sign up for the location near you.



Seminars include presentations on topics requested by contractors, like how to write contracts and job site safety. Q&A sessions feature experts from CSLB, Cal/OSHA and local building departments to answer your questions.

CSLB Offers New and Improved Web Site

Contractors, take a few minutes to check out the Board's new and improved Web site at www.cslb.ca.gov. As of December 2001, the Board's Web site has a whole new "look and feel." Redesigned to be more user-friendly and to conform to the Governor's eGovernment standards, the site now features a more readable format and even more information than before.

Recent enhancements include:

- All examination study guides are now available online;
- A "real-time" status screen now allows license applicants to obtain the status of their application online. Privacy is ensured through the use of a Board-issued Personal Identification Number (PIN);
- The Web-based License Status inquiry has been modified to give a more complete status. Consumers checking a contractor's license now also see other licenses related to the contractor, as well as their Home Improvement Certification status. License information for Home Improvement Sales people is also now available through the License Status Inquiry screen.
- Nearly all of CSLB's licensing applications and forms are now available on the Web site. Most can be filled out on the computer and then printed for signature and mailing to the Board;
- The bonding history for contractors and qualifying individuals has been added to the license detail page.





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UPCOMING BOARD MEETINGS

- April 18, 2002—Los Angeles
- June 27, 2002—Riverside
- October 4, 2002—Monterey

Joe Tavaglione Elected New First Vice President of NASCLA

Contractors State License Board member Joe Tavaglione continues to make headlines. Not only was he recently reappointed to the Board after a four-year term that included a year as President of the Board in 1999, but colleagues have yet again elected him to a leadership post. Mr. Tavaglione was elected First Vice President of the National Association of State Licensing Agencies (NASCLA) at their annual meeting of the Board of Directors held last November in New Orleans. As such, he is slated to become the organization's 42nd President in September 2002. At that time, Mr. Tavaglione will be the association's fifth president from California.



Joe Tavaglione

Mr. Tavaglione, of Riverside, has been a member of the Contractors State License Board since 1997 when he was appointed a contractor member. With more than 40 years of experience in the construction field, he is the co-founder of his family business, Tavaglione Construction Development, Inc. While serving the CSLB, Mr. Tavaglione has endeavored to streamline rules and regulations governing contractors while eliminating unnecessary controls. "Contractors often make honest mistakes when they are unaware of the regulations governing them," said Mr. Tavaglione.

California was one of 10 charter states when NASCLA was founded in 1962. NASCLA's membership is made up of states with laws regulating the contracting business. NASCLA and its member states strive for better regulation of the construction industry to protect the health, safety and welfare of the general public.

Home Improvement Certification Update

Home improvement certification (HIC) continues to rise among California's licensed contractors. As of February 1, more than 151,000 contractors have obtained HIC. According to the law requiring HIC—in effect since July 1, 2000—only those contractors with HIC may legally contract for home improvement work. Subcontractors must also be certified if they want to sub on home improvement contracts, regardless of whether or not the general they work under is certified.



Note: Home Improvement Certification does not increase the scope of work covered by a contractor's classification. HIC only permits the contractor to contract for home improvement projects already covered in the scope of their existing license. It does not extend the scope of work covered by the license in any way.

Many local building departments will refuse permits to contractors without HIC. When the Contractors State License Board finds an HIC violation, penalties range from \$200 to \$1,000. These violations are also disclosed to the public with other license information. Don't risk it. Log on to www.cslb.ca.gov and take the open-book exam today.

Cost Index Baseline for Type B Construction Adjusted

As required by the provisions of Government Code Section 66452.6 (a), the \$125,000 baseline cost of Type B construction for 2002 has been adjusted by the Registrar of Contractors utilizing the Class B Construction Cost Index of 1.43, as established by the State Allocation Board at its January 2002 meeting. The resulting baseline cost for Type B construction, effective March 1, 2002, is \$178,750.

Subdivisions requiring \$125,000 or more in public improvements are eligible for a map extension, effective March 1, 2002. Subdivision maps legally expire 24 months after

approval unless certain conditions are met. One qualifying condition requires the developer to add public improvements (such as streets, traffic controls, bridges, etc.) in an amount equal to, or above the baseline.

The State Allocation Board adjusted the cost index to 1.43 in January 2002, resulting in the new \$178,750 baseline amount—up from \$176,250 last year. The baseline is based on \$125,000 multiplied by the current cost index. To reflect inflation, the State Allocation Board adjusts the cost index every January.

Jobsite Safety Makes Good Dollars and Sense:

The Occupational Health Branch Can Help You

Contracting is an inherently dangerous profession. The tools and heavy equipment of the trade can turn any job site into a potential hazard zone. But job site accidents and work-related illnesses are costly. Few contractors realize that the average back injury claim in California costs \$40,311 for direct expenses, and even more in indirect costs to the employer, employee and their families. However, a recent survey showed most employers believe they receive at least a 300 percent return on workplace safety improvements.

Several safety program resources are available to contractors. One such resource is the California Department of Health Services' Occupational Health Branch (OHB). OHB focuses on the prevention of workplace injuries and illnesses. The office tracks various hazards, injuries, illnesses and fatalities; collaborates with industry, labor, and health and safety professionals to solve health and safety problems; and publicizes these solutions throughout the industries. OHB also offers workplace hazard information helplines and educational materials useful to contractors.

Some of OHB's materials are available in Spanish as well as English, and its lead safety training materials for contractors and workers are available in Chinese,

Spanish and English. Some of the many construction-related health and safety topics OHB has developed materials for include:

- Hanging drywall
- Preventing lead exposure
- Preventing construction-related fatalities
- Chemical hazards

When an employee is injured at a job site or contracts a work-related illness, it is a sign of a safety program breakdown and a possible need to refocus safety priorities. Often, minor adjustments can have a huge impact. For example, one of the most common types of accidents—"same level falls"—can often be prevented on construction sites by simply implementing good housekeeping practices.

Contractors seeking information about workplace safety can call the Workplace Hazards Helpline at (510) 622-4317. To order publications, call (510) 622-4328. For questions about lead safety, using respirators, or ordering materials such as the bilingual lead safety training materials, call the Lead Helpline at (510) 622-4332. To learn more about Occupational Health Branch services and educational materials visit www.dhs.ca.gov/ohb.



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CONTRACTING TIP OF THE QUARTER

John Reed of Hayward wrote in with this helpful contracting idea. "I built a simple Web site describing my work. I included pictures and even some per-square-foot prices, as well as my hourly rate for initial design consultation. Providing more information and pictures pays off. I'm really surprised at how fast I can close a sale on great projects after I send clients interested in an estimate to my Web site."

If you have a contracting tip of your own that you'd like to share with other contractors, the Board wants to hear from you. Send your tip to Gina Crawford at Gcrawford@cslb.ca.gov or P.O. Box 26000, Sacramento, CA 95826. If we publish your tip in the CLC, we'll send you a small gift of appreciation.

WHAT WOULD YOU DO?

If you'd like to know how other contractors have handled contracting situations you've found difficult, or if you have any other questions you'd like them to answer, send your comments to the editor at Gina Crawford, CSLB, P.O. Box 26000, Sacramento, CA 95826 or Gcrawford@cslb.ca.gov.

New Resource Center Advances Home Modifications

Ordinary household features such as small bathrooms and stairs can become barriers or hazards for residents with physical challenges, often forcing them to relocate. However, minor modifications such as installing lever handles, raising electrical sockets, and securing grab bars in the shower or tub can make the home safer and more accessible. For many consumers, more significant modifications like widening doorways for wheelchair access, installing a roll-in shower or building ramps for easy access can mean the difference between being able to stay in the home or needing to move.

Most homes do not readily accommodate people with functional limitations. The California Department of Aging's recently established Senior Housing Information and Support Center (SHISC) promotes safe, independent living for all Californians, regardless of age and ability. Through education and outreach to builders, contractors, consumers, and health, aging and disability organizations, SHISC addresses home safety and functionality assessment, appropriate modifications, safe installation tools and practices, and funding options. Through established partnerships, SHISC also plans to provide educational seminars and material for contractors.

To find out more about the valuable resources available through SHISC, call the office at (916) 445-7668, send an email to shisc@aging.ca.gov, or visit the Department's Web site at www.aging.state.ca.us.



LEGISLATION

New Notice and Disclosure Provisions Effective February 26, 2002

Summary of Disclosure Provisions

Home Improvement Contractors Must:

- Disclose in writing whether they carry commercial general liability insurance;
- Provide the consumer with the name and telephone number of the insurance company in writing if they carry this insurance, so the consumer can verify coverage;
- Provide the homeowner with the handout, *"Information about Commercial General Liability Insurance—Home Improvement"*;
- Provide the homeowner with the *"Checklist for Homeowners—Home Improvement"* or *"Checklist for Homeowners—Swimming Pool."*

Section 7164 Home Builders Must:

- Disclose in writing whether they carry commercial general liability insurance;
- Provide the consumer with the name and telephone number of the insurance company in writing if they carry this insurance, so the consumer can verify coverage;
- Provide the homeowner with the handout, *"Information about Commercial General Liability Insurance—Single Family Home."*

Information on Commercial General Liability Insurance

Few homeowners understand the risks of hiring a contractor who is not insured. Many assume that contractors carry adequate insurance. Although the CSLB strongly suggests that contractors carry commercial general liability insurance, the law does not mandate contractors to do so and many do not.

SB 2029 addressed this issue by requiring all home improvement contractors and section 7164 single-family home builders to disclose whether or not they carry this insurance. If the contractor claims to carry the insurance, he or she must provide the name and telephone number of the insurer so the homeowner can verify coverage.

As directed by the Legislature, CSLB created the notice, *"Information about Commercial General Liability Insurance,"* to inform consumers about the value of this insurance. There are two versions of this notice. One is for home improvement contractors; the other is for contractors building single-family homes. For your convenience, a check box is included on the notices to indicate whether or not the contractor carries commercial general liability insurance, along with space for the name and telephone number of the insurer. These notices meet the legal requirements under the new law. Contractors must provide the appropriate version of this notice to homeowners with every bid and contract.

Advice to Contractors Who Consider Themselves Self-Insured

Some contractors claim to be "self-insured." These contractors assert that they have evaluated their risk of liability and have determined that it would be more cost-effective for them to use their own assets to cover damages than to pay premiums to an insurer.

For purposes of complying with SB 2029, self-insured contractors must provide a checkbox indicating that they do not carry commercial general liability insurance. These contractors may want to explain to their customers in writing, however, how they intend to cover any damages that would ordinarily be covered by insurance. At least one very large contractor has decided to provide an 800 number to provide this explanation. Remember, misrepresentation is cause for disciplinary and possible civil and/or criminal action.

Checklist for Homeowners

SB 2029 also requires home improvement contractors to provide a checklist for homeowners. The checklist identifies a number of points a homeowner should consider when evaluating a home improvement contractor or contract. The list includes suggestions like investigating the contractor's history with the Board, getting information about mechanics' liens, and learning the legal limitations on down payments. CSLB created two versions of this handout as well—one for swimming pool contractors and one for all other home improvement contractors. Each home improvement contractor must provide a copy of the checklist with every bid and contract.

Possible Future Revisions to Home Improvement Contract Requirements

These new requirements become effective February 26, 2002. However, the Board anticipates that evaluations by the CSLB Enforcement Monitor and other reviews will result in changes to the existing home improvement contract requirements by January 2003. Therefore, the Board is not recommending that contractors revise their printed contracts to incorporate the notices at this time.

In 2000, the Legislature passed SB 2029 (Figueroa, Chapter 1005 Statutes of 2000) to create new requirements for home improvement contractors and for contractors building single family homes pursuant to Business & Professions Code section 7164.

Under the new law, these contractors must disclose whether they carry commercial general liability insurance. SB 2029 also directed the CSLB to prepare two notices—a checklist for homeowners and a handout providing information about commercial general liability insurance. The notices were adopted by CSLB through regulation and will become effective on February 26, 2002.

For your convenience, you will find a copy of the notices on pages 5-8. They meet the legal requirements and can be reproduced for distribution to homeowners. You can also download the notices from the Board's Web site at www.cslb.ca.gov.



Information About Commercial General Liability Insurance

Home Improvement

Pursuant to California Business & Professions Code §7159.3 (SB 2029), home improvement contractors must provide this notice and disclose whether or not they carry commercial general liability insurance.

Did your contractor tell you whether he or she carries Commercial General Liability Insurance?

Home improvement contractors are required by law to tell you whether or not they carry Commercial General Liability Insurance. This written statement must accompany the bid, if there is one, and the contract.

What does this insurance cover?

Commercial General Liability Insurance can protect against third-party bodily injury and accidental property damage. It is not intended to cover the work the contractor performs.

Is this insurance required?

No. But the Contractors State License Board strongly recommends that all contractors carry it. The Board cautions you to evaluate the risk to your family and property when you hire a contractor who is not insured. Ask yourself, if something went wrong, would this contractor be able to cover losses ordinarily covered by insurance?

How can you make sure the contractor is insured?

If he or she is insured, your contractor is required to provide you with the name and telephone number of the insurance company. Check with the insurance company to verify that the contractor's insurance coverage will cover your project.

What about a contractor who is self-insured?

A self-insured contractor has made a business decision to be personally responsible for losses that would ordinarily be covered by insurance. Before contracting with a self-insured contractor, ask yourself, if something went wrong, would this contractor be able to cover losses ordinarily covered by insurance?

_____ does not carry Commercial General Liability Insurance.
(CONTRACTOR'S NAME)

_____ carries Commercial General Liability Insurance.
(CONTRACTOR'S NAME)

The insurance company is _____.
(COMPANY NAME)

You may call the insurance company at _____ to verify coverage.
(TELEPHONE NUMBER)

For more information about Commercial General Liability Insurance, contact the Contractors State License Board at www.cslb.ca.gov or call 800-321-CSLB (2752).



Information About Commercial General Liability Insurance

Single Family Home

Pursuant to California Business & Professions Code §7164 (SB 2029), contractors building single-family residences for owners who intend to occupy the home for at least a year must provide this notice and disclose whether or not they carry commercial general liability insurance.

Did your contractor tell you whether he or she carries Commercial General Liability Insurance?

Contractors building single-family residences for owners who intend to occupy the home for at least a year are required by law to tell you whether or not they carry Commercial General Liability Insurance. This written statement must accompany the contract.

What does this insurance cover?

Commercial General Liability Insurance can protect against third-party bodily injury and accidental property damage. It is not intended to cover the work the contractor performs.

Is this insurance required?

No. But the Contractors State License Board strongly recommends that all contractors carry it. The Board cautions you to evaluate the risk to your family and property when you hire a contractor who is not insured. Ask yourself, if something went wrong, would this contractor be able to cover losses ordinarily covered by insurance?

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A self-insured contractor has made a business decision to be personally responsible for losses that would ordinarily be covered by insurance. Before contracting with a self-insured contractor, ask yourself, if something went wrong, would this contractor be able to cover losses ordinarily covered by insurance?

_____ does not carry Commercial General Liability Insurance.
(CONTRACTOR'S NAME)

_____ carries Commercial General Liability Insurance.
(CONTRACTOR'S NAME)

The insurance company is _____.
(COMPANY NAME)

You may call the insurance company at _____ to verify coverage.
(TELEPHONE NUMBER)

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Checklist for Homeowners

Home Improvement

Pursuant to California Business & Professions Code §7159.3 (SB 2029),
home improvement contractors must provide this notice.

Check Out Your Contractor

- Did you contact the Contractors State License Board (CSLB) to check the status of the contractor's license?

Contact the **CSLB at 1-800-321-CSLB (2752)** or visit our **web site: www.cslb.ca.gov**.

- Did you get at least 3 local references from the contractors you are considering?
Did you call them?
- Building Permits—will the contractor get a permit before the work starts?

Check Out the Contract

- Did you read and do you understand your contract?
- Does the 3-day right to cancel a contract apply to you?
Contact the CSLB if you don't know.
- Does the contract tell you when work will start and end?
- Does the contract include a detailed description of the work to be done, the material to be used, and equipment to be installed?

This description should include brand names, model numbers, quantities and colors. Specific descriptions now will prevent disputes later.

- Are you required to pay a down payment?
If you are, the down payment should never be more than 10% of the contract price or \$1,000, whichever is less.

- Is there a schedule of payments?
If there is a schedule of payments, you should pay only as work is completed and not before. There are some exceptions—contact the CSLB to find out what they are.

- Did your contractor give you a “Notice to Owner,” a warning notice describing liens and ways to prevent them?

Even if you pay your contractor, a lien can be placed on your home by unpaid laborers, subcontractors, or material suppliers. A lien can result in you paying twice or, in some cases, losing your home in a foreclosure. Check the “Notice to Owner” for ways to protect yourself.

- Did you know changes or additions to your contract **must** all be in writing?

Putting changes in writing reduces the possibility of a later dispute.



Checklist for Homeowners

Swimming Pool

Pursuant to California Business & Professions Code §7159.3 (SB 2029), home improvement contractors building swimming pools must provide this notice.

Check Out Your Contractor

- Did you contact the Contractors State License Board (CSLB) to check the status of the contractor's license?

*Contact the **CSLB at 1-800-321-CSLB (2752) or visit our web site: www.cslb.ca.gov.***

- Did you get at least 3 local references from the contractors you are considering?

Did you call them?

- Building Permits—will the contractor get a permit before the work starts?

Check Out the Contract

- Did you read and do you understand your contract?

- Does the 3-day right to cancel a contract apply to you?

Contact the CSLB if you don't know.

- Does the contract tell you when work will start and end?

- Does the contract include a detailed description of the work to be done, the material that will be used and equipment to be installed?

This description should include a plan and scale drawing showing the shape, size, dimensions and specifications. It should include brand names, model numbers, quantities and colors. Specific descriptions now will prevent disputes later.

- Are you required to pay a down payment?

The down payment for swimming pools should never be more than 2% of the contract price or \$200, whichever is less.

- Is there a schedule of payments?

If there is a schedule of payments, you should pay only as work is completed and not before. There are some exceptions—contact the CSLB to find out what they are.

- Did your contractor give you a "Notice to Owner," a warning notice describing liens and ways to prevent them?

Even if you pay your contractor, a lien can be placed on your home by unpaid laborers, subcontractors, or material suppliers. A lien can result in you paying twice or, in some cases, losing your home in a foreclosure. Check the "Notice to Owner" for ways to protect yourself.

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Pre-Job Notification Now Required for Lead-Related Work

New regulations regarding lead-related work went into effect January 25, 2002. Pursuant to a recent amendment to the Lead Standard (Standard) in the Construction Safety Orders (Title 8 of the California Code of Regulations) Section 1532.1, contractors performing certain lead-related construction activities are required to submit a "Lead Work Pre-Job Notification" to the California Division of Occupational Safety and Health (DOSH).



Effective January 25, employers conducting activities listed in subsection (d)(2) of the Standard must provide written notification to DOSH at least 24 hours before work begins. Such

activities include manual scraping, sanding, and structure demolition, heat gun application, power tool cleaning where lead containing coatings or paint are present; spraying lead paint; using lead mortar or lead burning; rivet busting; abrasive blasting; enclosure movement and removal, cleanup of dry expendable abrasives, welding, cutting and torch burning.

The pre-job notification must provide the contractor's name and contact information, address and exact location of the lead

work, planned work start and end dates, job supervisor's name and the number of workers. Information must also be given about the type of structure to be worked on, the amount of lead containing material that will be disturbed, a description of the type of lead work to be done and work practices to be used, and if known, the lead content of the affected material.

Some lead abatement jobs involving very small lead amounts are exempt from the notification requirement. For example, this notification is not necessary in the following situations:

- The lead content of the disturbed materials is less than 0.5%, 5,000 parts per million (weight by weight), or 1.0 mg / cm²6;
- The amount of lead-containing materials to be disturbed is less than 100 square or 100 linear feet; or
- The only subsection (d)(2) task to be performed consists of torch cutting or welding for no longer than one hour in any shift.

A copy of the Lead Standard, section 1532.1, and guidance on the new notification requirements are available from DOSH's Web page at www.dir.ca.gov/DOSH/dosh1.html or by calling DOSH's free consultation service assistance number at 800-963-9424.

(Note: This requirement is separate from the CA Department of Health Services Form 8551, Abatement of Lead Hazard Notification and does not pre-empt their lead abatement review procedure.)

License Lapse Costs Contractor \$7,200

A Bay Area cabling contractor recently learned the hard way that letting your license expire is dangerous and expensive. On October 2, 2001, the Department of Industrial Relations Division of Labor Standards upheld a \$7,200 penalty assessment and Stop Order issued to a Navato, California electrician at his work site last summer.

When the Deputy Labor Commissioner and CSLB investigator investigated a complaint of unlicensed contracting activity on August 16, they found the contractor and his crew installing cable in a commercial building. After being asked to show his license, he produced one that had expired on July 31. It was then determined that he had employed a crew of six on the job for 12 days after his license had expired.

Despite the contractor's declaration that he did not intend to be unlicensed, his

explanation that he was in the process of renewing his license, and the fact that his Worker's Comp insurance was in order, the Deputy Labor Commissioner issued a stop order and penalty assessment of \$7,200. The assessment was based on California Labor Code Section 1021, which provides for a penalty of \$100 a day for each employee performing work for which a contractor's license is required.

At a September 28 hearing, the Hearing Officer affirmed the penalty, citing, "Although the Appellant may have intended to renew his contractors license, the fact remains that (when he was cited on August 16, 2001), his contractors license had expired."

Don't learn this lesson the hard way. In situations such as this, nobody wins. Keep your paperwork up to date and renew your license early to avoid a lapse and the risk of heavy penalties.

CSLB Raises the Bar for License Application Investigations

Each year the Contractors State License Board receives more than 25,000 contractors license applications. The Board is legally required to investigate a portion of those incoming applications and is currently exceeding investigative requirements by nearly 300 percent. Investigation methods used by the unit include interviewing applicants, their employers and/or persons who certified to their experience; reviewing documents; and researching CSLB, other governmental, and law enforcement records as necessary.

Investigations are primarily used to determine if the applicant has met two essential licensing requirements—adequate experience and clear or fully resolved legal and disciplinary records. According to the Application Investigation Unit supervisor Peggy Nash, "Due to our findings, we deny approximately one-third of the applications we investigate." Most of these denials are the result of the applicant's failure to provide the documentation and other evidence needed to verify the experience he or she has claimed, or provide other relevant information.

When an application is investigated to prove experience, the applicant must provide documentation to support his or her claims. In such instances, certificates or support letters are not necessarily sufficient by themselves. Investigators require documentation such as check stubs, pay and tax records, contracts, invoices, permits, material receipts, grant deeds, letters from customers, or other records the applicant may use to prove experience.

The second most common reason for an application investigation is following up on legal and disciplinary actions that the Board may have previously taken against the applicant. Often these actions have been taken against an applicant under a previous license or as an unlicensed person acting illegally as a contractor. The Board maintains a record of these actions, and applicants who have previous or pending disciplinary or legal actions are "flagged" for investigation should they ever apply for a license. When such flags are triggered, Board staff investigates the status of the action. The applicant will not be allowed to move ahead in the process until the issues have been resolved.

If you plan on adding a classification or applying for an original contractors license, be sure to have your documentation of experience in order, should you be asked to provide it. Avoid a possible delay in getting your license by maintaining good records.

Disciplinary Actions

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NOTE: Disciplinary actions do not include licenses suspended for failure to maintain required bonds.

Business & Professions Code Sections

The following B&P Codes may be referenced in the list of Disciplinary Actions:

490	Relationship of conviction of a crime to licensed activity
7018.5	Failing to provide notice to owner regarding lien provisions
7026.7	Advertising as a contractor without a license
7028	Acting in the capacity of a contractor without license
7029	Contracting as a joint venture without the required license
7029.5	Failing, as a plumbing, electrical sign or well drilling contractor, to display identification on business vehicles
7030	Failing to include in a contract the notice that contractors are licensed by the Contractors State License Board
7030.5	Failing to fulfill the requirement that the contractor's license number be placed on all contracts, subcontracts, calls for bid, and other forms of advertising
7071.11	Judgment or admitted claim against bond
7083	Failing to report a change of address, namestyle, or personnel within 90 days
7085.6	Failing to comply with an arbitration award
7090.1	Failing to comply with civil penalty or "order to correct" in Registrar's citation
7097	Suspension of additional licenses
7098	Revocation of additional licenses
7099.6	Non-compliance with a final citation
7107	Abandonment of a project without legal excuse
7108	Diverted funds or property received for a specific job to other purposes
7109	Willfully disregarded plans and specifications, or failing to complete the job in a good and workmanlike manner
7109.5	Violation of Safety Laws resulting in death or serious injury
7110	Willful disregard and violation of building laws
7110.1	Violating Section 206.5 of the Labor Code
7111	Failing to keep records and to make them available to a representative of the Registrar
7111.1	Refusing to or failing to cooperate with deputy in investigation
7112	Misrepresentation of a material fact on an application
7113	Failing to complete a project for the price stated in the contract
7113.5	Avoiding or settling for less than lawful obligations as a contractor through the various bankruptcy proceedings
7114	Aiding and abetting an unlicensed person
7115	Failing to comply with the Contractors' Law
7116	Committing a willful or fraudulent act as a contractor
7117	Acting as a contractor out of namestyle
7117.5	Contracting with inactive license
7118	Contracting with unlicensed person
7119	Failing to prosecute a job with diligence
7120	Failing to pay for materials or services
7121	Prohibition against associating with suspended or revoked license
7122	Participation of license in violating Contractors Law
7122.5	Responsibility of Qualifying Person for acts committed by his/her principal
7123	Conviction of a Felony in connection with construction activities
7124	A plea of nolo contendere is considered a conviction
7154	Employment of unregistered home improvement salesman
7155	Participation in violation by a home improvement salesman
7157	Model Home kickback prohibition
7159	Failing to comply with contract requirements
7161(b)	False advertising

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A&M CONSTRUCTION CO	SAN DIEGO	489085	10/02/01	7109(a), 7113, 7115, 7159, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
A-1 QUALITY ROOFING	GLENORA	738832	11/27/01	7090.1
AACCENT CUSTOM BUILDERS	ROCKLIN	546441	12/21/01	7090.1
AANSALL CONSTRUCTION COMPANY	COSTA MESA	706670	11/01/01	7090.1
ACCESS ELEVATOR	COVINA	739685	10/15/01	7090.1
ACE MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR CO	SAN DIEGO	725829	10/19/01	7090.1
ADMIRAL PLUMBING, HEATING & AIR CONDITIONING	ORANGE	670418	12/17/01	7107, 7109(a), 7113, 7030, 7159(a), 7097, 7098, 7121.5
ADVANCED TECHNOLOGIES FOR BUILDING, INC	VICTORVILLE	762417	12/28/01	7107, 7109(a, b), 7113, 7115, 7164, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5, 7122, 7122.5
AIRE SERV HEATING & AIR CNDTNG	WALNUT CREEK	594827	12/05/01	7090.1
ALL PHASE CONST	SANTA ROSA	549641	12/03/01	7090.1
ALL PHASE DEVELOPMENT INC	CITRUS HEIGHTS	762204	10/04/01	7090.1
ALL PHASE ELECTRIC	REDWOOD CITY	682978	11/05/01	7107, 7108, 7113, 7115, 7116, 7117.5B, 7123, 7159, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
ALLEN'S HOME IMPROVEMENTS	LOS ANGELES	400095	11/02/01	7090.1
AMERICAN EQUINE DESIGN	TEMECULA	599318	11/27/01	7090.1
APOLLO ELECTRIC	MANTECA	476238	12/03/01	7090.1
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ARAVA ASA	LOS ANGELES	708386	10/09/01	7090.1
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ARAVA CONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION	HOLLYWOOD	703015	10/09/01	7090.1
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BAILEY ROOF COMPANY	HESPERIA	532884	11/01/01	7090.1
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BAMFORD CO	LAGUNA NIGUEL	655250	11/06/01	7085.6
BARBIER J S CONSTRUCTION CO	PALM DESERT	452696	11/05/01	7090.1
BARKER DAVE DRYWALL	COTTONWOOD	727551	12/03/01	7090.1
BASELINE ENTERPRISES INC	NEWPORT BEACH	429501	11/29/01	7108.5, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
BATES FLOOR COVERING	BUENA PARK	595280	10/19/01	7090.1
BATES FLOOR COVERING	BUENA PARK	595280	11/08/01	7090.1
BENNETT FRED	LOS MOLINOS	590641	12/21/01	7090.1
BEST BUILT & BEST PRICES SUPER BUILDERS	VAN NUYS	652973	10/05/01	7107, 7109a, 7109b, 7115, 7030, 7159, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
BETTER BID TREE SERVICE	SPRING VALLEY	763279	11/27/01	7085.6
BETTER BUILD	SANTA CLARA	736699	10/05/01	7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
BLASER MOBILE HOME SPECIALISTS	WEST SACRAMENTO	513107	10/24/01	7090.1
BRUCE L DOUGHTY & SON, INC	MORENO VALLEY	599871	11/12/01	7107, 7109(a), 7110, 7113, 7154, 7159(b), 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
BUILD TO SUIT CONSTRUCTION CO	LONG BEACH	689068	10/02/01	7107, 7109a), 7113, 7115, 7159, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
BUILDING CONSTRUCTION COST CONSULTANTS	SAN FRANCISCO	681093	12/21/01	7090.1
C W CALIFORNIA CONTRACTORS INC	NORTHBRIDGE	770886	11/27/01	7090.1
C W CONSTRUCTION COMPANY	HUNTINGTON BEACH	465914	11/27/01	7090.1
CAHEY CUSTOM ROOFING	LA COSTA	584362	11/01/01	7090.1
CALIF CONSTRUCTION CONCEPTS	ANTIOCH	695978	12/03/01	7090.1
CALIF GENERAL CONSTRCTN CO	LOS ANGELES	531454	11/01/01	7090.1
CALIF HOME IMPROVEMENT INC. A CALIFORNIA CORP.	LOS ANGELES	719039	10/10/01	7030(b2), 7071.11, 7107, 7108, 7109(a, b), 7110, (1689.7, 7, 106UBC), 7113, 7116, 7117(b), 7119, 7154, 7159(b, c, d, e, h, j, i), 490, 7123, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
CAL-PACIFIC SALVAGE	HUNTINGTON PARK	267145	10/26/01	7090.1
CARMICHAEL STEPHANIE A	SAN DIEGO	685139	10/19/01	7090.1
CASTER'S CONSTRUCTION COMPANY	SACRAMENTO	670063	10/24/01	7090.1
CERTA PRO PAINTERS	SACRAMENTO	752099	12/17/01	7085.6
CERTA PROPAINTERS OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY	PALMDALE	737214	12/17/01	7085.6
CHANDLER TODD PAINTING & DECORATING	SAN MATEO	717558	11/30/01	7085.6
CLASS A CONTRACTORS INC	YUBA CITY	712715	12/05/01	7090.1
CLIP CONST	EL CAJON	522545	12/07/01	7090.1
CONSTRUCTION SOLUTIONS & MANAGEMENT INC	SAN FRANCISCO	693563	12/21/01	7090.1
CONTRACT DESIGN	CARDIFF	313460	11/12/01	490, 7108, 7109(a), 7110, 7115, 7030(a), 7159, 7116, 7117.5(b), 7119, 7123, 7161(b), 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
COPELAND JAMES LANDSCAPING	SACRAMENTO	554945	12/03/01	7090.1
CRESENT CITY PIPELINE	PICO RIVERA	342274	11/27/01	7090.1
CURTIS CUSTOM POOLS	CHINO	661075	10/15/01	7090.1
CURTIS CUSTOM POOLS	CHINO	599910	12/28/01	7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
CURTIS CUSTOM POOLS	CHINO	661075	12/28/01	7109, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5, 7122.5
CURTIS CUSTOM POOLS	CHINO	599910	10/15/01	7090.1
CYBER CONSTRUCTION COMPANY	GLENDALE	708041	12/05/01	7090.1
D&A ASSOCIATES	BUENA PARK	756450	12/28/01	7114, 7121, 7122.5, 7097, 7098
DARDEN CONSTRUCTION	SACRAMENTO	690451	12/03/01	7090.1
DAVID R. KALTENBERG CONSTRUCTN	APTOS	417165	11/08/01	7109a, 7110, 7113, 7115/7125.1, 7159, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5

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DAVISON CONSTRUCTION	EL CAJON	499889	11/27/01	7090.1
DE ARMOND CONSTRUCTION	APPLE VALLEY	344831	10/18/01	7090.1
DELPHIA JEFF CERAMIC & MARBL TILE DESIGN 2	MODESTO	677251	12/03/01	7090.1
	GRANADA HILLS	573545	11/12/01	7107, 7109(a), 7110(1689.7, 7113, 7030, 7159(c, d, e, f, g))
DESIGN 2000	MORENO VALLEY	616025	10/17/01	7090.1
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DEVELOPERS ROMA REMODLNG, INC	VAN NUYS	760256	10/05/01	7112, 498, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5, 7122, 7122.5
DIAMOND POOLS	TURLOCK	777478	11/30/01	7107, 7108, 7113, 7115, 7116, 7119, 7150.2C, 7154, 7159(a, d, e, f, g, i, l)
DICK KLUDJIAN INC DBA BUILDERS CARPET SHOWROOM	SACRAMENTO	392565	12/03/01	7090.1
ELYCHOVA AND ASSOCIATES	TRUCKEE	680465	10/05/01	7090.1
ENGINEERED COATNG APPLICTRS INC	KENT	703376	12/21/01	7090.1
FARETTA THOMAS D CONSTRUCTION	CLOVIS	377361	12/05/01	7090.1
FINO'S LANDSCAPES	ROSEVILLE	723854	10/05/01	7090.1
FOURTEEN CORPORATION DBA J C CONSTRUCTION COMPANY	SAN DIEGO	536089	11/27/01	7090.1
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FULTON & FULTON INC.	ANAHEIM	747264	11/26/01	7107, 7113, 7115/7159, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
G R ROOFING	SAN JOSE	466390	10/19/01	7109a, 7113, 7115, 7159(b, f, g, k, l), 7097, 7098, 7121.5, 7122.5
G S CONSTRUCTION COMPANY	CORONA	424771	11/27/01	7090.1
GENE SENA CONSTRUCTION CO	VALLEY VILLAGE	291129	11/26/01	7107, 7109(a), 7110, 7113, 7115, 7159, 7119, 7125, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
GENE SENA CONSTRUCTION CO	VALLEY VAILLAGE	291129	11/26/01	7107, 7109(a), 7110, 7113, 7115, 7159, 7119, 7125, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
GERO ROBERT JOSEPH	LOS ANGELES	626026	11/05/01	7085.6
GIANT WALL CONSTRUCTN & ROOFNG	SAN FRANCISCO	517380	12/03/01	7090.1
GLO STAR INC	MODESTO	655186	12/03/01	7090.1
GOODFRIENDS & ASSOCIATES	EMERYVILLE	581526	10/24/01	7090.1
GLOBAL CONSTRUCTION	EMERYVILLE	581526	10/24/01	7090.1
GPZ CUSTOM CONSTRUCTION INC THE PHILLIP GEORGE GROUP	ORANGE	434726	11/26/01	7107, 7113, 7119, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
GREAT SUN CO	BUENA PARK	727544	12/07/01	7090.1
HYUNYONG COMPANY INC	LOS ANGELES	738817	10/15/01	7090.1
INNER EARTH	LAGUNA BEACH	691259	12/28/01	7107, 7108, 7116, 7159, 7117.5(B)
INNOVATIVE WALLCOVERINGS	PUBLIC	749281	12/03/01	7090.1
J C CONSTRUCTION	PIONEER	709763	10/24/01	7090.1
J F G FINISH CARPENTRY	LA VERNE	694808	10/15/01	7090.1
JACO CO	MODESTO	350455	12/03/01	7090.1
JAMES WILLIAM ELDRIDGE CONSTRUCTION CO	SAN MARCOS	354682	12/17/01	7108, 7113, 7159(b, e, f, g, i, k, l), 7120, 7116, 7121, 7121.5
K & R ROOFING COMPANY	OAKLAND	618311	10/19/01	7107, 7109A, 7113, 7115/7159/, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
KAYE CONSTRUCTION	RNCHO SNTA MRGRTA	399418	12/07/01	7090.1
KEN'S TREE SERVICE	SANTA CLARA	670060	10/05/01	7117.5, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
KIKAWA LAURA T	CATHEDRAL CITY	679843	10/11/01	7090.1
KLUDJIAN DICK INC DBA BUILDERS CARPET SHOWROOM	SACRAMENTO	392565	12/03/01	7090.1
KREIDER LOWELL DUANE JR	CHICO	753600	12/03/01	7090.1
LAKESIDE CONSTRUCTION	VICTORVILLE	695549	11/12/01	7107, 7108, 7109(a), 7113, 7116, 7120, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
LANDRY RUSSELL	SAN DIEGO	179852	10/29/01	7085.6
LAU ALLEN LAI NG DBA LAU'S CONSTRUCTION CO	SAN FRANCISCO	415007	10/24/01	7090.1
LEV GAMER	WEST HOLLYWOOD	570444	10/05/01	7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5, 7122, 7122.5
LEV GAMER	WEST HOLLYWOOD	570444	10/05/01	7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5, 7122, 7122.5
LONGSTREET DEVELOPMENT	TORRANCE	599171	12/13/01	7106, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
MAIN SPRINGS CONSTRUCTION CO	CATHEDRAL CITY	672508	10/11/01	7090.1
MAJESTIC GENERAL CONTRACTING	ROSEVILLE	719918	10/28/01	7085.6
MANUFACTURED HOME SPECIALIST	REDDING	546702	10/24/01	7090.4
MARINA WEST ROOFING	OXNARD	594454	12/07/01	7090.1
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MASTER BUILDERS	RIALTO	375363	11/05/01	7090.1
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MASTER BUILDERS	RIALTO	375363	11/27/01	7090.1
MATTEI ROOFING COMPANY	SEBASTOPOL	386517	12/13/01	7109a, 7110, 7113, 7115, 7159, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
MC CLAIN & SONS	LAGUNA NIGUEL	762518	11/27/01	7090.1
MC CRACKEN & SON BLDNG TCHNLGY	SAN GERONIMO	638896	10/20/01	7085.6
MC VEY DENNY CONST	CODY	485031	10/24/01	7090.1
MELONE PHILIP	VALLEJO	729078	10/05/01	7090.1
MERIT ENTERPRISES	BURLINGAME	502174	11/05/01	7107, 7109A, 7113, 7115, 7159, 7159 (b, f, g, j, k, l)
METRO BUILDERS & COATING	VENTURA	321074	12/10/01	7107, 7109A, 7113, 7116, 7161B
MICHAEL CONSTRUCTION	OAKLAND	452848	12/10/01	7109a, 7110, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
MICHAEL MCDONALD	GARDENA	669660	11/02/01	7109(a), 7113, 7115/7030(a), 7159/7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
MOUNTAIN VALLEY A/C COMPANY	OAKDALE	601679	12/03/01	7090.1
MYERSON CONSTRUCTION	ROHNERT PARK	725363	11/21/01	7107, 7109a, 7110, 7113, 7115/7159/, 7119, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
NETCO CONSTRUCTION	ALTA LOMA	433599	12/18/01	7090.1
NORTHDRIDGE ROOFING SERVICES	SANTA CLARA	705492	10/19/01	7109A, 7113, 7115, 7159(b, f, g, k, l), 7097, 7098, 7121.5, 7122.5
OLYMPIC ROOFING & HOME IMPRVNTRANCHO CORDOVA		684961	12/03/01	7090.1
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OLYMPIC ROOFING & HOME IMPRVNTRANCHO CORDOVA		684961	12/21/01	7090.1
O'NEILL'S EXCAVATING	FAIR OAKS	640176	10/05/01	7090.1
PACIFIC COAST CONSTRUCTION	ANAHEIM	748013	12/18/01	7090.1
PACIFIC WEST AIR CONDITIONING & ELECTRICAL	SO PASADENA	637007	10/15/01	7090.1
PRO QUALITY CONSTRUCTION	ONTARIO	698635	10/26/01	7090.1
RAKESTRAW DRYWALL	SAN DIEGO	481069	11/27/01	7090.1
RENSEL CONSTRUCTION	EL CAJON	680749	11/26/01	7107, 71099(a), 7115, 7159, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
RLB INTERNATIONAL CONSTRCTN INC	LOS ANGELES	753025	12/17/01	7114, 498, 7112, 7068.1, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
RON'S ARTS	SOUTH LAKE TAHOE	605272	12/03/01	7090.1
ROOF WORK	SANTA BARBARA	720198	10/11/01	7090.1
S B CONSTRUCTION CO	LOS ANGELES	380870	10/05/01	7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
SAM CONCRETE	PETALUMA	683985	10/19/01	7115, 7018.5, 7071.13, 7109a, 7110, 7113, 7115, 7030a, 7030b, 7159(d, e, f, g, j, k, l), 7117a, 7097, 7098, 7121.5
SOT NGUYEN	STOCKTON	704723	11/19/01	7109a, 7113, 7115, 7159, 7159(a, b, f, g, j, k, l), 7117, 7110, 7071.11, 7097, 7098, 7121.5
SOUTH COAST DRYWALL	SANTA ANA	550017	11/16/01	7107, 7110, 7113, 7115, 7030(a), 7159, 7116, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
SP MASONRY	VICTORVILLE	642448	12/28/01	7109(a), 7113, 7115, 7030(a), 7030.5, 7159, 7117.6, 7118, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
STATEWIDE REMODELING INC	LOS ANGELES	719038	10/10/01	7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
SUN RISE ROOFING	BALDWIN PARK	676394	10/15/01	7090.1
T & T CONTRACTORS	LONG BEACH	559065	12/03/01	7085.6
TARTAN POOL COMPANY INC	VAN NUYS	241341	11/01/01	7090.1
TEIXEIRA CONSTRUCTION	DELHI	346646	12/03/01	7090.1
TERRA LINDA LANDSCAPE CNSTRCTN	PLEASANTON	513774	10/19/01	7110, 7115, 7159(b, e, j), 7030a, 7030b, 7116, 7097, 7098, 7121.5
THOMPSON DANIEL CONSTRUCTION	LOMPOC	587859	11/01/01	7090.1
TOP VALUE ROOFING	SANTA ROSA	672363	10/17/01	7108, 7120, 7113, 7115/7159/, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
TREE SURGEONS THE	EL CAJON	716167	11/27/01	7085.6
TRIBBLE BOBBY	SHERMAN OAKS	605758	10/15/01	7090.1
TYCO CONSTRUCTION	SAN DIEGO	633586	11/01/01	7090.1
UNGA COMPANY	BURLINGAME	739089	10/18/01	7109a, 7109b, 7113, 7115, 7159/7117.5, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
V I P CONSTRUCTION	VICTORVILLE	626076	11/01/01	7090.1
VAL'S ROOFING	CARMICHAEL	205306	12/21/01	7090.1
WALLING B L CONSTRUCTION	DESCANSO	524018	11/27/01	7090.1
WESTCOAST CONSTRUCTION	COSTA MESA	741712	12/13/01	7107, 7109, 7113, 7115/7018.5, 7030, 7159
WESTCOAST CONSTRUCTION	COSTA MESA	758236	12/13/01	7154, 7098, 7121, 7121.5, 7122
WILLIAM L BRYANT	SAN BERNARDINO	409128	11/26/01	7107, 7108, 7113, 7117.6, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
WINCHESTER REMODELING	CUPERTINO	571899	12/12/01	7107, 7109a, 7109b, 7113, 7115, 7159, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5



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