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# Hiring a Home Service Pro

Inevitably, there will come a time when a homeowner needs a professional. Sometimes, the DIY approach can lead to dangerous results or situations where problems become worse. If you feel a repair or remodel is out of your comfort zone, don't hesitate to hire an expert.

Before signing a contract with the first company in the yellow pages, do some research. Here are a few things to consider.

## **LICENSED AND BONDED?**

One of the initial questions you should ask during your meeting with a potential contractor is if they are licensed. Some states even require workers to carry a special license, too. This can apply to many different occupations like electricians, plumbers and general contractors.

Make sure they are legally connected to the work being completed. When a specialized person is carrying the proper licensing, they are more likely to abide by other laws like permit requirements and inspections. It can be dangerous for projects to be

completed by someone who is unfamiliar with the policies and codes that come with

construction. When working with a contractor, it's also important they are covered by a surety bond, or an insurance policy that protects a property owner. This coverage is beneficial in the instance that work is incomplete or doesn't satisfy the contract you agreed to.

## **REFERRALS AND TESTIMONIALS**

Before choosing a service pro, you should also ask for first-hand testimonials from previous clients. Reputable contractors should have contact information for willing

participants who can shed light on their work. Take notes about instances regarding their timeline, satisfaction of work and how well they followed up to any issues.

## **SHOP AROUND**

Don't be shy to ask for free estimates from several contractors in your area. You may

get a general idea of the cost of a project by pricing materials yourself at a home improvement store.

Keep in mind, deciding strictly based on price may not always be the best route. Make sure you are investing in someone with knowledge and experience to complete the renovation.

