

# Selecting a Contractor

## Contractor Hiring Tips



**Price:** In choosing the best price, make sure that you compare apples-to-apples. Compare written estimates (not verbal promises) regarding the amount of preparation, quality of materials, number of coats, etc. The lowest price is seldom the best price.

**Licensed:** As You Like It Painting is licensed in accordance with the (Construction Industry Licensing Board of Palm Beach County). Our Palm Beach County License is **U-14533** Make sure the contractor you hire is licensed in accordance to the Board of Building Regulations and Standards of the County. We are also Licensed in Martin County.

**Beware of Unlicensed Contractors:** Unlicensed contractors are a danger to your financial affairs because they expose you to significant financial harm in the event of injury or property damage.

**Promptness:** A contractor who keeps the appointment for an estimate is more likely to arrive promptly for the job and complete the project on time. Communications: How a contractor responds to phone calls can be an indication of your ability to contact him after the work begins. If you must wait days for return phone call, will the same occur after the job starts?

**Insurance:** Adequate insurance is important for your protection. Ask to see Certificates of Insurance. As You Like It Painting is fully Bonded & Insured with Liability Insurance and Worker's Compensation. All legal documents can be found on our website. [www.asyoulikeitpainting.com](http://www.asyoulikeitpainting.com)

**Written Proposal:** A well written proposal will carefully describe what is included in the job. This allows both parties to clarify any omissions or misunderstandings. The proposal speaks volumes about the professionalism of the contractor.

**References:** Any contractor should be able to produce a list of good references. See our website for a up to date list of references. [www.asyoulikeitpainting.com](http://www.asyoulikeitpainting.com)

**Consumer Awareness:** No two jobs are exactly alike. A professional contractor will seek to learn what you need and/ or desire. He will listen to your comments and questions, and make recommendations suited to your purposes.

**Trust:** A contractor may be at or in your home for a week or longer. Be certain that you feel comfortable with him.

**As You Like It Painting is a proud member you can trust, and we can prove it!**

**TO LOOK UP A CONTRACTOR'S STATUS GO TO:**

[WWW.PBCGOV.COM/PRSTATUSANDINSPECTIONS/CONTRACTORINFO/CONTRACTORINFO.ASPX](http://WWW.PBCGOV.COM/PRSTATUSANDINSPECTIONS/CONTRACTORINFO/CONTRACTORINFO.ASPX)

**THEN TYPE IN THE COMPANY'S NAME.**

**TO LOOK UP A CONTRACTORS RATING WITH THE BETTER BUSINESS BUREAU GO TO:**

<http://www.seflorida.bbb.org/BusinessFind.aspx?Source=1>

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