

10 Tips for making sure your contractor measures up.

- 1. Hire only licensed contractors.
- **2.** Check contractor's license at www.dpor.virginia.gov or (804) 367-8511.
- 3. Get three references, review past work.
- **4.** Get at least three bids.
- **5.** Get a written contract and don't sign anything until you completely understand the terms.
- **6.** Pay 10% down or \$1,000, whichever is less.
- **7.** Don't let payments get ahead of work. Keep record of payments.
- **8.** Don't make final payment until you're satisfied with the job.
- 9. Don't pay cash.
- **10.** Keep a job file of all papers relating to your project.

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