



State License Exemption Request For Homeowners

P.O. Box 1809 101 N. Main Street
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Phone (803) 285-1969 Fax (803) 416-9380

State law requires residential construction to be done by licensed residential builders and specialty contractors. You have applied for a permit under an exemption to that law. The exemption allows you, as the owner of your property, to act as your own builder even though you do not have a license. You must supervise the construction yourself. You may build or improve a one-family or two-family residence. The building must be for your own use and occupancy. It may not be built for sale or rent. If you sell or rent a building you have built yourself within two years after the construction is complete, the law will presume that you built it for sale or rent, which is a violation of this exemption. You may not hire an unlicensed person as your residential builder or specialty contractor. 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. Your construction must comply with all applicable laws, ordinances, building codes, and zoning regulations.

To qualify for this exemption, you as the owner of the residential building or structure must promptly file as a matter of public record a notice with the register of deeds, indexed under the owner's name in the grantor's index, stating that the residential building or structure was constructed by the owner as an unlicensed builder. Failure to do so revokes the statutory exemption.

By signing this form, you acknowledge receiving the "Disclosure Statement" required to be filed, your responsibilities as outlined and will abide by all applicable laws, ordinances, building code and zoning code regulations.

Address: _____ Tax Map Number: _____

Owner(s)
Signature: _____

Printed
Name(s): _____



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Address: _____ Tax Map Number: _____

Owner
Builder(s): _____

Printed
Name(s): _____

Witness 1: _____ Witness 2: _____

Printed Name: _____ Printed Name: _____

State of South Carolina
County of Lancaster
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this date _____

By _____ (name of person acknowledged)

Sworn and subscribed before me this _____ day of _____, 20_____

(Seal)
Notary Public for South Carolina

My Commission Expires: _____