



Licensing Requirements & Regulation Notice

Important Licensing Update/Changes - Effective July 1, 2025

Licensing requirements are regulated by Florida State Statute Chapter 489

Effective July 1, 2025, the Town of Indian River Shores will no longer accept Certificates of Competency as a valid form of licensure for contractors.

Under Florida Statute 489.117, all contractors (as defined in FS 489.105(3)(a)-(o)) must be State Registered or State Certified to operate legally in Florida.

If you are currently using a Certificate of Competency issued by the County to perform/contract work, you will need to take action to comply with state requirements.

Note: The Town of Indian River Shores does not offer sponsorship for registration, however, State licenses issued by DBPR will be accepted by the Town (registration required).

If you were previously registered through the Town and you hold a *State Certified or Registered license*, no changes are required, and your status remains valid (supporting documents must be current).

If you hold a Certificate of Competency in a specialty category but were not previously required to be state certified or registered, you may qualify for a State Certified Specialty License.

Please refer to FS 489.113(6)(b) to see the list of eligible specialty contractor categories. For further information on licensing requirements and for job scopes for which a local government may not require a license, please refer to FS 489.117 (4)(a)1.

For questions regarding state-mandated license requirements and how to become a state-licensed contractor, please contact the Department of Business & Professional Regulation at www.myfloridalicense.com.