

TEN TIPS

For making sure you
contractor measures up
(HOME IMPROVEMENT
PROJECTS)



1. Hire only licensed contractors
2. Check contractor's license number:
NV – Reno Office (775) 688-1411) www.nvcontractorsboard.com
CA (800) 321-2752 or www.cslb.ca.gov
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. In CA, State law says to pay only 10% down, or \$1,000. whichever is less, unless the contractor provides a bond, approved bond equivalent or approved joint control ensuring completion of your contract.
7. Don't let payments get ahead of work. Keep records of payments.
8. Don't make final payment until you are satisfied with the job.
9. Don't pay cash.
10. Keep a job file of all papers relating to your project