

A license from the State Licensing Board for Residential and General Contractors is required for the following:

(See O.C.G.A. § 43-41-2 for complete definitions)

1. Residential-Basic Contractor (contractor work relative to detached one-family and two-family residences and one-family townhouses not over three stories in height)
2. Residential-Light Commercial Contractor (same as residential-basic, and additionally, such contractor work or activity related to multifamily and multiuse light commercial buildings and structures)
3. General Contractor (contractor services unlimited as to type of work contracted for, undertaken to perform, bid or proposed upon or otherwise offered to perform, and performed as a contractor, except any work which falls under the licensing requirements of Chapter 14 of this title, which may not be performed by the general contractor unless he or she possess licensure to do such)
4. General Contractor Limited Tier (contractor services unlimited as to type of work contracted for, undertaken to perform, bid or proposed upon or otherwise offered to perform, and performed as a contractor, except any work which falls under the licensing requirements of Chapter 14 of this title, which may not be performed by the general contractor unless he or she possess licensure to do such). This license is limited to contract amounts of \$500,000 or less.

Certain specialty trades or work costing less than \$2,500 does not require the services of a state licensed contractor. For a list of SPECIALITY CONTRACTORS please visit http://sos.ga.gov/index.php/licensing/plb/46/exempt_specialty_contractors

To obtain a state license as a residential-basic, residential-light commercial, general contractor-limited tier or general contractor, you must:

Submit a completed [application](#) for licensure and non-refundable fee, along with all the supporting documents as indicated by the application, and submit to and pass an examination required for the particular license; **or**

Submit an application for licensure by prior approval status if you meet the requirements.

Applications are available and may be downloaded [here](#).