

BUILDING PERMIT APPLICATION

**HOMEOWNER SIGNATURE REQUIRED ON THIS PAGE
IF
HOMEOWNER OBTAINING OWN BUILDING PERMIT**

The Michigan Licensing Law gives the homeowner an exemption to act as the general contractor if the homeowner is building his own residence for his own use. This means that, in the case of his own single family residence (not a duplex or apartment building) the homeowner may act as the general contractor, even though a licensed builder may be significantly involved. 339.2403 of the Michigan Occupational Code states:

A person may engage in the business of or act in the capacity of a residential building without having a license if the person is: An owner of property with references to a structure on the property for the owner's own use and occupancy.

If the homeowner acts as the general contractor and pulls the permit, the owner should be aware of the following:

THAT AS THE PERMIT HOLDER, THE HOMEOWNER INCURS ALL OF THE LIABILITY AND ALL OF THE RESPONSIBILITY THAT THE LICENSED CONTRACTOR WOULD NORMALLY ASSUME.

THIS MEANS THAT:

- 1. IT WILL BE THE HOMEOWNER'S RESPONSIBILITY TO CORRECT ANY CODE VIOLATIONS, EVEN IF THE CONTRACTOR OR ANY OTHER PERSONS DID THE WORK.**
- 2. THE HOMEOWNER CAN BE HELD LIABLE FOR ANY INJURY WHICH OCCURS ON THE JOB, WHETHER IT IS A BUILDER'S OR SUBCONTRACTOR'S EMPLOYEE.**
- 3. THE HOMEOWNER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR WORKER'S COMPENSATION, ALL WITHHOLDING TAXES, BOTH STATE AND FEDERAL TAX AND FICA TAXES FOR ALL PERSONS ON THE JOB.**
- 4. IN THE EVENT OF AN OCCURRENCE BEYOND A BUILDER'S CONTROL (LAWSUITS, ETC.) WHICH CAUSES THE BUILDER TO BE UNABLE TO COMPLETE THE WORK, THE HOMEOWNER WILL BE LEGALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE COMPLETION OF THE JOB.**

I, _____ . HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE ABOVE INFORMATION.

SIGNATURE

DATE

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____, 2____

Notary
_____ County, Michigan

My Commission Expires: _____