CERTIFIED CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE
Certified contractors may work anywhere in the state and must be recognized by all local jurisdictions.

State: DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
Licenses:
- License number
- Licensure date
- Name of qualifier
- Company name
- Expiration date

REGISTERED CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE
A Registered contractor may work only in the local geographic area that issued the license.

State: DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
Licenses:
- State
- Registration number
- Licensure date
- Company name
- Name of qualifier
- Expiration date

COUNTY CERTIFICATE OF COMPETENCY
A County contractor may work only in the local geographic area that issued the license.

Certificate of competency:
- Name of qualifier
- Company name
- License number
- Expiration date

LOCAL BUSINESS TAX RECEIPT
Local Business Tax Receipt (formerly known as a Occupational License) is only a tax certificate not enough to act as a contractor.

- Type of business
- Date
- Company name

Broward County licensed Tree Trimmers MUST possess a Tree Trimmer License and proof of training

CERTIFIED ARBORIST CARD
This card is held by certified arborists who qualify companies for a Tree Trimmer License.

- Name of certified arborist
- Expiration date

TREE TRIMMER LICENSE
License MUST be available for inspection at each worksite where tree trimming is being carried out.

- Class A License - Licensed Company is qualified by a Certified Arborist
- Class B License - Licensed Company is qualified by a Tree Trimmer License
- License number
- Expiration date
- Name and address of licensed company
- Name of qualifier

TREE TRIMMER TRAINING CERTIFICATE
At least one certificate holder must be available at each worksite where tree trimming is being carried out by a licensed company.

- Name of trained tree trimmer
- Date of course completion

HOW TO OBTAIN TREE TRIMMER LICENSE
1. Complete Tree Trimmer Training
2. Receive Proof of Training
3. Obtain a Tree Trimmer License Application Form
4. Submit the requested documentation
5. Receive your Tree Trimmer License
BE ON THE LOOKOUT (B.O.L.O)
• Construction jobs without a permit posted
• Unmarked construction vans, trucks, trailers and vehicles
• Business names on vehicles without a license number posted
• Contractor vehicles with out-of-State tags
• On-going jobs during hours which business is not normally performed

WHAT CAN I DO TO ASSIST
• Determine if the work is a regulated trade
• Determine if the contractor is State, County licensed or unlicensed Contractor
• Determine if the work requires a building permit
• Contact your local Building Department for permit information

INFORMATION WE NEED YOU TO PROVIDE
• Your Name, Mailing Address, Phone Number
• The name of the contractor or company operating without a license and/or permit
• Vehicle type and tag number
• The name of the worker(s) on the job site, if known
• The site address and type of work being performed
• The date and time the occurrence took place
• Take pictures with date stamp (if possible)

THE TREE TRIMMER LAW
To reduce the frequency of poor pruning practices, such as over lifting, rounding, flush cuts, stub cuts and hat racking. These practices can damage trees, reduce their aesthetic value and make them more prone to storm-related failure, creating hazardous situations.

TREE TRIMMER ENFORCEMENT
Broward County Permitting, Licensing and Consumer Protection vigorously enforces the Tree Trimmer Licensing Ordinance. Enforcement officers look for unlicensed tree trimmers and for tree trimmer crews working without a qualified person present on the job site. Violations are subject to a notice of violation, a citation and/or a "stop work" order. Citations may require a hearing before a hearing officer who can impose fines up to $15,000.00 per violation, depending on the severity of the infraction.

INVESTIGATIONS AND ENFORCEMENT SERVICES
Unlicensed Contractor Hotline
County phone (954)765-4400 Option #2
DBPR local phone (954)917-1330
Broward County Government Center West
1 N University Drive Plantation, FL 33324

24 - Hour License Verification
County: www.broward.org/permittingandlicensing/
State: www.floridausa.org/hiring.php

STATUTORY AUTHORITY TO CITE UNLICENSED CONTRACTORS
• Florida Statute 489.127(1)(f) - No person shall engage in the business or act in the capacity of a contractor or advertise himself or a business organization as available to engage in the business or act in the capacity of a contractor without being duly registered or certified or having a certificate of authority.

STATUTORY PENALTIES FOR UNLICENSED CONTRACTING
• Florida Statute 489.127(2)(a) - Any unlicensed person who violates any of the provisions of subsection (1) commits a misdemeanor of the first degree.
• Florida Statute 489.127(2)(c) - Any unlicensed person who commits a violation of subsection (1) during the existence of a state of emergency declared by executive order of the Governor commits a felony of the third degree.

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