NCLCLB Enewsletter

Your source for North Carolina Landscape Contractor information.



Focus On: Real Uh-Oh Issues

- 1. As a licensed landscape contractor, you cannot hire, or subcontract, to a third party a project of \$30,000 or more to an unlicensed individual who is not a W-2 employee of your landscape business. "UH-OH!". In doing so you be "lending your license" in direct violation of the law.
- 2. Projects you CANNOT do (UH-OH!!) under your Landscape Contractor License -
 - Swimming pools NO
 - Porches/Decks NO
 - Sunrooms NO
 - Roof extensions NO
 - Plumbing **NO** You CANNOT install plumbing.
 - Electrical ONLY low voltage landscape lighting.
 - Irrigation ONLY if you have a current NC Irrigation Contractor's License (refer to the NC Irrigation Contractors' Licensing Board (www.nciclb.org) for licensing requirements).

Don't put yourself or your business in jeopardy.

- 3. UH-OH? ... you could be in violation of the law if...
 - You are a current licensed landscape contractor,
 - You have a Corporate Surety Bond,
 - You are listed on the Corporate Surety Bond,
 - You do work, (quotes, invoicing, etc.) in the name of your business name,
 - But you do NOT have a corporate license.

If this is you, you are indeed in violation and subject to a complaint being filed against you for the following:

89D-22(a)(2) – Practicing landscape construction or contracting by fraudulent misrepresentation (corporate surety bond and doing work in the name of the corporation, not in your individual name as licensed)

89D-22(a)(8) – Failure to file the required surety bond or letter of credit or to keep the bond or letter of credit in force (surety bond is in the wrong name)

Don't become the subject of a complaint. It is just not worth it. Be the professional you want to be and get your corporate license.

Maintaining Your License



Reinstatement

If you, or someone you know, were a Licensed Landscape Contractor in 2021-2022, but missed the August 1 renewal deadline, you can still be reinstated.

By law, failure to reinstate your license by August 1, 2023 shall result in the forfeiture of your license. Upon forfeiture, you shall be required to submit a new application and retake the examination... which will cost considerably more in time and money than to reinstate now.



Education

Don't wait to get your CE and risk a last minute scramble... or worse, not getting your CE in time for renewal.

In May of 2022, 50% of licensed landscape contractors had not completed CE requirement. As of July 1st 34% still had not completed their CE and many could not get their CE in time to renew.

Landscape Contractor Licensees must complete seven (7) continuing education (CE) hours from August 1, 2022 - July 31, 2023.:

<u>CLICK HERE to Reinstate</u> <u>Your License</u>

- Three (3) CEs must be technical (landscape)
- Two (2) CEs must be business
- The remaining two (2) credits can be technical or business.

You must personally attend the approved webinar/course/activity to obtain credit.

Filing false information is a violation of North Carolina law N.C.G.S.89D and can jeopardize your license.

You can search the easy-to-use list of approved courses by course#, sponsor, date, hours of credit, or location.

CLICK HERE to search for Approved Continuing Education Classes



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