State of Louisiana

State Licensing Board for Contractors

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To: Louisiana Permit Offices and Building Officials

From: Brad Hassert, Executive Director

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Subject: Licensure Requirements/Permits/Inspections

Effective August 1, 2025:

Act 239 requires permitting and inspection of roof construction and reroofing of residential and commercial structures for any projects beginning on or after **August 1, 2025**. It does not require a separate permit for new construction.

Act 422 creates a violation of the law for contractors failing to obtain a permit to perform work; to begin work prior to the issuance of a permit; to misrepresent the value or scope of work; and to fail to obtain inspections as required by law beginning **August 1, 2025**.

Effective January 1, 2026:

Act 422 also, in part, creates the Residential Roofing license.

La. R.S. 37:2156.4. Residential roofing

(A) On and after **January 1, 2026**, any person who advertises, solicits, undertakes, attempts, offers, or submits a price, bid, quote or estimate to construct, supervise, direct, oversee, or perform any construction, modification, repair, or maintenance of any portion of a roofing system on a residential structure for which the project value is seven thousand five hundred dollars or more shall hold the classification of Residential Roofing or Residential Construction.

(B) A residential roofing contractor shall pass the residential roofing trade examination and meet all other licensure requirements of a residential contractor.

(C) Residential roofing is a subclassification of residential construction.

Residential Construction, Building Construction, and Residential Roofing license holders may bid or perform work on a residential roof. Home Improvement may not bid or perform any roof or structural work.

Note that as described in La. R.S. 37:2156.4 effective January 1, 2026, only those holding Residential Construction and Residential Roofing may bid or perform work on a residential roof.