

BUILDING CONTRACTOR

“**Building Contractor**” means any person whose services are limited to construction of commercial buildings and single-dwelling or multiple-dwelling residential buildings, which commercial or residential buildings do not exceed three (3) stories in height, and accessory use structures in connection therewith or a contractor whose services are limited to remodeling, repair, or improvement of any size building if the services do not affect the structural members of the building.

Okaloosa County requires applicants for State Registered and Local Specialty Licenses to appear before the appropriate competency board for approval prior to testing.

Applicants are required to take the trade exam **PLUS** the Business and Law examination and pass with a score of 75% or above on both examinations.

Fees paid to Okaloosa County: \$25 Board Processing Fee
\$50 Sponsor Fee (per registration)
\$35 State Package Review Fee

Additional fees to the testing agency will also apply.

In order to take the examination, you must be twenty-two (22) years of age or older.

For information on State Certified contractors exam please contact DBPR @ www.myflorida.com/dbpr/pro or call 850-487-1395.

Enclosed you will find the following:

1. Application for Board Processing*
2. List for board approval
3. Approved Credit Agency List
4. Competency Board Dates
5. Examination Schedule
6. Reference/Book Lists **
7. Experience Affidavit
8. Work History Affidavit

If you have any questions, please contact:

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License Information

Scope – Tests a candidate’s knowledge of the construction of commercial buildings, single- and multiple-unit residential dwellings, and accessory-use structures, all of which shall not exceed three stories in height. Does not include any electrical, mechanical, plumbing, or liquefied petroleum gas work.

Examination Outline**Open Book****100 Questions****Time limit: 3 hours and 50 minutes****75% Correct required to pass**

Exam Topic	%
Plan Reading	5
Estimating	7
Sitework	4
Concrete	14
Masonry	7
Structural Steel	4
Carpentry	14
Metal Framing	8
Roofing	6
Associated Trades	4
Exterior Finishes	9
Interior Finishes	10
Safety	8

References

The following references **are allowed** in the testing center.

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2. *2007 Florida Building Code: Residential Volume*, 2008, International Code Council (ICC), 4051 West Flossmoor Road, Country Club Hills, IL 60478-5795, www.iccsafe.org.
3. *Principles and Practices of Commercial Construction*, Eighth Edition, 2008, Prentice Hall/Pearson Education, Order Processing Center, P.O. Box 11071, Des Moines, IA 50336-0693, vig.prenhall.com.

4. *The Contractor’s Guide to Quality Concrete Construction*, Third Edition, 2005, American Concrete Institute (ACI), P.O. Box 9094, Farmington Hills, MI 48333, www.concrete.org.
5. *Gypsum Construction Handbook*, Centennial Edition, 2000, United States Gypsum Company/All USA, 125 South Franklin Street, Chicago, IL, 60606-4678, www.usg.com.
6. *Modern Masonry*, Third Edition, 2003, Goodheart-Willcox Company, Inc., 18604 West Creek Drive, Tinley Park, IL 60477-6243, www.g-w.com.
7. *Olin’s Construction: Principles, Materials and Methods*, Eighth Edition, 2006, Wiley Publishing, Inc., 10475 Crosspoint Boulevard, Indianapolis, IN 46256, www.wiley.com.
8. *Carpentry and Building Construction*, Sixth Edition, 2004, Glencoe Division of McGraw-Hill, Box 543, Blacklick, OH, 43004-0544, www.glencoe.com.
9. *Walker’s Building Estimator’s Reference Book*, Twenty-Eighth Edition, 2006, Frank R. Walker Company, 1989 University Lane, P.O. Box 3180, Lisle, IL 60532, www.frankrwalker.com.
10. *Code of Federal Regulations, Title 29, Part 1926 (OSHA)*, Revision July 1, 2008, Superintendent of Documents, P.O. Box 371954, Pittsburgh, PA 15250-7954, www.access.gpo.gov.

For information on how to obtain exam references, please call toll-free 877.624.2562.

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