

## NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER

Dear Property Owner:

An application for a building permit has been submitted in your name listing yourself as the builder of the property improvements specified at:



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(List address here)

We are providing you with an Owner-Builder Acknowledgement and Information Verification Form to make you aware of your ~~limitations, responsibilities and the liability~~ you may incur by having this permit issued in your name as the Owner-Builder.

We will not issue a building permit until you have read, initialed your understanding of each provision, signed, and - returned this form to us at our official address indicated. An agent of the owner cannot execute this notice unless you, the property owner, obtain the prior approval of the permitting authority.

### OWNER'S ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND VERIFICATION OF INFORMATION

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Directions: Read and Initial in each statement below to signify you understand or verify this information.  
All fields are required. Please enter your initials next to each statement.

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VC 1. I understand a frequent practice of unlicensed persons is to have the property owner obtain an Owner-Builder building permit that erroneously implies that the property owner is providing his or her own labor and material personally. I, as an Owner-Builder, may be held liable and subject to serious financial risk for any injuries sustained by an unlicensed person and his or her employees while working on my property. My homeowner's insurance may not provide coverage for those injuries. I am willfully acting as an Owner-Builder and am aware of the limits of my insurance coverage for injuries to workers on my property.

VC 2. I understand building permits are not required to be signed by property owners unless they are responsible for the construction and are not hiring a licensed Contractor to assume this responsibility.

VC 3. I understand as an Owner-Builder I am the responsible party of record on the permit. I understand that I may protect myself from potential financial risk by hiring a licensed Contractor and having the permit filed in his or her name instead of my own.

VC 4. I understand Contractors are required by law to be licensed and bonded in California and to list the license number on permits and contracts.

VC 5. I understand if I employ or otherwise engage any persons, other than California licensed Contractors, and the total value of my construction is at least five hundred dollars (\$500.00), including labor and materials, I may be considered an "employer" under State and Federal law.

VC 6. I understand if I am considered an "employer" under State and Federal law, I must register with the State and Federal government, withhold payroll taxes, provide worker's compensation disability insurance, and contribute to unemployment compensation for each "employee." I also understand my failure to abide by these laws may subject me to serious financial risk.

VC 7. I understand under California Contractor's State License Law, an Owner-Builder who builds single-family residential structures cannot legally build them with the intent to offer them for sale, unless all work is performed by licensed sub-contractors and the number of structures does not exceed four (4) within any calendar year, or all of the work is performed under contract with a licensed general building Contractor.