

HGRBS Homeowner's Guide Series No. 15

Homeowner's Strategy For Making Best Contractor Hiring Decisions

This is the fifteenth installment for the new ongoing HGRBS nonprofit series offering resident-friendly information for home defense. This is particularly so for our increased protection against corrupt building tradespersons working in the home remodeling, repair, and improvement industry.

***Overview**

This fifteenth installment offers an invitation for US homeowners to seriously consider reluctance calling in contractors for home services and postponing plans with those we expect to be at our homes on a certain date. The leading reason for mentioning our being very cautious in this regard is the new variants of Covid-19. There is well-founded risk that some contractors are carriers, while others are not. It is a question of whether we are willing to gamble on what critical jeopardy our household would be in if building trades people working in contracting are infected.

In the HGRBS nonprofit's homeowner's guide: "In Resident-Contractor Relations 2021 We May Need To Postpone Some Plans," reasons for being reluctant inviting more contractors into our homes or around our property are given. This is especially so for *non-critical* home projects. Here's an excerpt:

"Non-critical home projects are those which can wait. If our roof is not caving in, we may want to indefinitely postpone plans we may have had for replacing it this year. We can opt to reschedule implementation for the same time in 2022. The same for our paving stone, driveways, kitchen cabinets, interior design, new furniture, etc. In the usual scenario, we have done quite well living with these for perhaps a while. We can sacrifice the year delay staying as much on the safe side as possible. Our bottom line is to minimize exposure through minimizing the number of different people visiting our home. Regretfully – building trades personnel [such as contractors] are included. !" End of excerpt.

Focus

It should go without saying that the number one priority for the home setting is for the well-being of everyone living there. There is no way we can ensure safety from the infection when we are too focused on "keeping schedules" for work to be done when circumstances are such that it would be unreasonable. This is about our concentrating more on protecting the atmosphere of our home from dangers which can very probably pollute it with this deadly virus. We can always re-schedule work we need done for a later time. Unfortunately, we cannot re-schedule the health or life of a family member who has succumbed to the disease we haphazardly let into our homes through impulsive hiring just to meet a "schedule.

***Conclusion**

We can be enormously assisted towards increasing our potentials for re-assessing our hiring practices for home contractor assisting through the resident's booklet: "In Resident-Contractor Relations 2021 - We May Need To Postpone Some Plans." It is free, online, without sign-up or sign in requirements. The link for it is provided below. Please use it. Get it. Be safer.

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<https://www.who.int/news-room/feature-stories/detail/the-effects-of-virus-variants-on-covid-19-vaccines>

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<https://www.americanprivatehomefront-hgrbs.com/homeowners-guide-usa.php>

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