
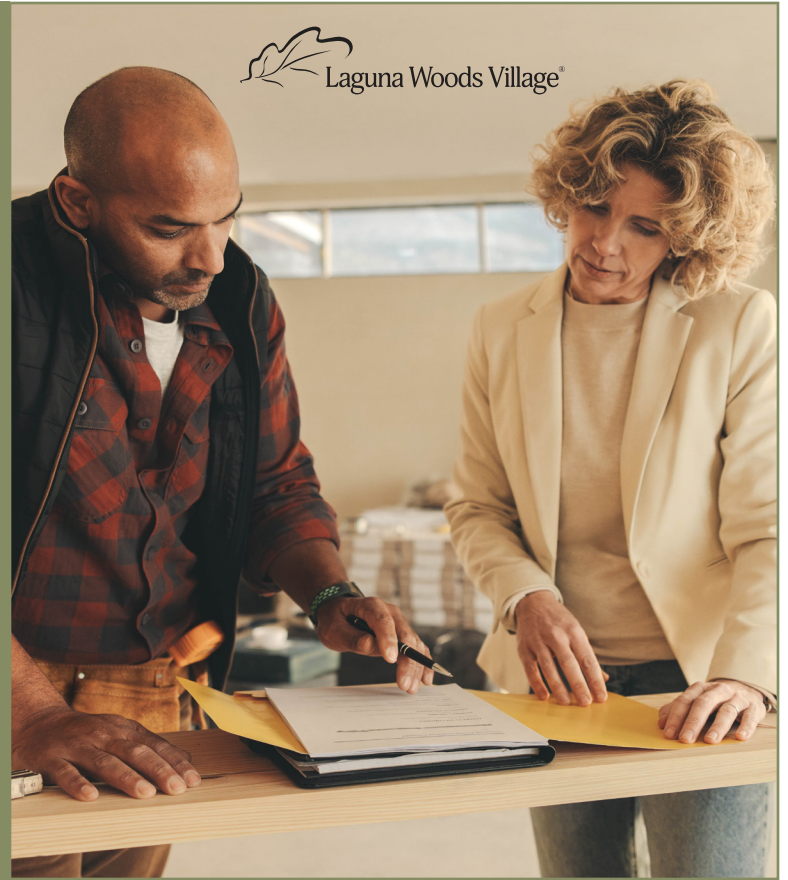


# 6 TIPS

## Before Hiring a Contractor

 Laguna Woods Village®



**1** Verify with the Contractors State Licensing Board that any contractor you are considering is licensed by visiting **[cslb.ca.gov](https://www.cslb.ca.gov) > Online Services > License Check** or by calling **800-321-CSLB (2752)**.

**2** Contact Manor Alterations at **[alterations@vms.org](mailto:alterations@vms.org)** or **949-597-4616** to confirm whether your proposed alteration requires a mutual consent.

**3** Secure at least three bids from contractors and check their references. Online resources include:

- **[cslb.ca.gov](https://www.cslb.ca.gov) > Online Services > Find a Licensed Contractor**
- **[homeadvisor.com](https://www.homeadvisor.com)** • **[homebuddy.com](https://www.homebuddy.com)** • **[thumbstack.com](https://www.thumbstack.com)**

**4** Obtain a paper copy of the contract.

**5** Beware contractor-endorsed financing.

**6** Resist pressure to waive your five-day right to cancel.

**Learn more at [bit.ly/ContractorHires](https://bit.ly/ContractorHires)**