

CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY LICENSING BOARD
Glass and Glazing Contractor
Frequently Asked Questions

1. What type of work comes under the scope of this license?

A certified glass and glazing specialty contractor is a specialty statewide contractor whose services are unlimited in the execution of contracts requiring the experience, knowledge, and skill to install, attach, maintain, repair, fabricate, alter, extend or design, in residential and commercial applications without any height restrictions, all types of windows, glass and mirrors, whether fixed or movable; swinging or sliding glass doors attached to existing walls, floors, columns or other structural members of the building; glass holding or supporting mullions or horizontal bars; structurally anchored impact-resistant opening protection attached to existing building walls, floors, columns or other structural members of the building; prefabricated glass, metal or plastic curtain walls; storefront frames or panels; shower and tub enclosures; metal fascias; and caulking incidental to such work and assembly.

2. Is a state certified glass and glazing specialty contractor's license required to contract for non-structural glass and glazing work in Florida?

No, Senate Bill 704, which passed during the 2012 legislative session, removed the Certified Glass and Glazing Contractor category from the mandatory license types under 489.105, Florida Statutes. Therefore, a state certified license is not required to perform non-structural glass and glazing work such as installation of glass and mirrors. Please be aware that work such as installation of doors, windows, store front frames and structurally anchored opening protections will still require a Division I contractors license or an appropriate specialty contractors license. In addition, your local county or municipality may have a local license requirement for glass and glazing work with which must you still comply. Please check with your local building department or licensing authority regarding any local license requirements.

3. Do I need a license to install/replace windows?

Yes, the Construction Industry Licensing Board determined window installation and replacement requires either a general, building or residential contractor license or a local license which includes window installation and replacement in its scope of work. In addition to those licenses, a certified glass and glazing specialty contractor may also install/replace windows.

4. Can my county or municipality still require me to have a license to perform glass and glazing work even though the Florida legislature removed the mandatory state license?

Yes, your local county or municipality may still have a local licensing law that requires you to have a either a local license or a state certified license to perform glass and glazing work in its jurisdiction. Each contractor should contact the counties and municipalities where he or she works to determine if licensure is still required to perform

glass and glazing work in that jurisdiction. Local licensing requirements may be met by obtaining a local specialty license or by obtaining a state certified license or state certified specialty license in the appropriate contractor category.

5. If the Florida Legislature removed the mandatory state licensure requirements for glass and glazing contractors, why would I want to get the state certified glass and glazing specialty license now?

Your local county or municipality may still have a local licensing law that requires you to have a license to perform glass and glazing work in its jurisdiction. The state certified glass and glazing specialty license permits contractors to perform glass and glazing contracting work on a state wide basis without obtaining a separate local specialty license or local certificate of competency in each individual county or municipality.

6. If my county or municipality still has a local licensure requirement for glass and glazing contracting, can they require me to have their local specialty licenses or certificate of competency if I hold the state certified glass and glazing specialty contractor license?

No, the cities and counties cannot require a state certified contractor to obtain a local specialty licenses or certificate of competency to do work covered within the scope of his/her state certified license. Pursuant to Section 489.113(4)(a), Florida Statutes, a state certificate holder is only required to exhibit his state certificate to the local licensing authority and pay the occupational license fee(business tax certificate) and building permits fees to engage in contracting.

8. What if I already have a Certified Glass and Glazing Contractor (CGG) license issued under the old law?

On July 1, 2012, the Department will issue you a new certified glass and glazing specialty (SCC) license to replace your previous CGG license that is no longer valid.

9. What are the insurance requirements for this licensure category?

\$100,000 liability insurance and \$25,000 property damage insurance.
If you would like to find out more about this license please contact the Department of Business and Professional Regulation at 850.487.1395 or go online to www.MyFloridalicense.com > Our Businesses & Professions > Construction Industry.