

# Home Renovation Professionals Checklist

## The people you need for the perfect renovation

You know you want to renovate, but you're not sure who you'll need to work on your home. We've got you covered!

- CABINETMAKER**  
Kitchen storage space is notoriously tricky to get right. This specialist in the carpentry trade has the chops to get it done.
- CARPENTER**  
Framers, roofers, and trim carpenters are some of the woodworkers you may need for your house remodeling project.
- CARPET/FLOORING INSTALLER**  
Replacing old carpeting and laying down tile and wood floors are among the most popular types of home renovation projects.
- DESIGNER/ARCHITECT**  
For bigger jobs, like room remodels and additions, it might be a good idea to hire a professional architect or interior designer to make your vision whole.
- ELECTRICIAN**  
A reputable, licensed electrician may be the most important person on your house renovation team. The quality of their work has a direct impact on your safety.
- GENERAL CONTRACTOR**  
By retaining a project manager to organize and oversee the tradespeople working on your project, you can save time and headaches.
- HOME INSPECTOR**  
To make sure your remodel work is within code and free of safety hazards, hire a home inspector to check on the progress periodically.
- HVAC TECH**  
A remodel involving your heating or cooling system requires a trained heating/cooling expert.
- LANDSCAPER**  
Anything from an addition to a new propane tank can rough up your home's outdoor aesthetic. After the dust settles, bring in a professional green thumb.
- MASON**  
Rocks, bricks, and concrete may be a big part of your improvement project. Masonry is highly skilled work.
- METALWORKER**  
Framework, kitchen surfaces, and custom interior design features often integrate the creations of professional fabricators and welders.
- PAINTER**  
This is one of the DIY jobs you might be tempted to take on after the other contractors have moved on, but a pro will do it faster — and better.
- PLUMBER**  
Get two services in one person when you hire a plumber: along with the water and sewer pipes, this is the contractor who installs gas lines.
- ROOFER**  
The high-wire performers of your renovation crew are among the most in-demand contractors. Plan well ahead for their work.
- ZONING AUTHORITY**  
Many renovation projects require a building permit, so be sure to obtain the proper permissions before work begins.

**An important note:** If you're taking out a renovation loan, you cannot DIY as part of the project. Any work you want to do yourself must wait until after the financed work is complete.

**There's one more pro you'll need** if you are borrowing the funds for your project: an **experienced loan originator** who knows renovations!

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