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Commercial Pool/Spa Contractor Residential Pool/Spa Contractor Pool/Spa Servicing Contractor Business Tax Receipt Certified or Registered* Certified or Registered* Certified or Registered* (no state exam - i.e. 16-hr certifications, for example FPPS, Residential Pool/Spa Servicing AFO, CPT, CPO, DOH, etc.) Specialty Contractor*** (NO commercial / public pools) A contractor whose scope of work involves, but A contractor whose scope of work involves, but A contractor whose scope of work involves, but is not Formerly known as occupational license. All Checkmark = allowed limited to, the repair and servicing of any public or is not limited to, the construction, repair and is not limited to, the construction, repair and businesses in Florida must have it, but a license servicing of any public or private pool / spa servicing of any residential pool / spa. private pool / spa. (Specialty excludes public pools.) for your type of work is still needed (if required). Stop sign = not allowed Directly connect to sanitary sewer system or residential commercial residential commercial commercial residential commercial residential to potable water lines commercial residential commercial residential commercial residential commercial residential Shell construct repair replace Make modifications to swimming pool √ residential residential residential commercial commercial commercial residential commercial concrete structure. Change filtration system from direct suction residential residential commercial commercial residential commercial residential commercial to gravity-fed collection tank. commercial residential Layout residential commercial commercial residential commercial residential √ residential residential Excavation commercial commercial residential residential commercial commercial Operation of construction pumps for commercial residential commercial residential commercial residential commercial residential dewatering purposes residential Steelwork commercial residential commercial residential residential commercial commercial Include screen enclosure in contract of sale commercial residential commercial residential commercial residential residential commercial (and will subcontract to an appropriately licensed contractor) commercial residential commercial residential commercial residential commercial residential Equipment rooms or housing for pool/spa equipment construct repair replace commercial residential residential residential residential commercial commercial commercial Interior finishes - coating, plastering repair replace install repair replace install repair replace repair replace install repair replace repair replace install repair replace repair replace commercial residential residential residential commercial residential commercial commercial Tile and coping repair replace repair replace install repair replace repair replace install repair replace install repair replace repair replace install repair replace commercial residential commercial residential residential commercial residential commercial Decks construct repair replace construct repair replace commercial residential residential residential commercial commercial residential commercial All perimeter piping and filter piping repair replace install repair replace repair replace repair replace repair replace repair replace install install repair replace install repair replace commercial residential commercial residential commercial residential commercial residential Light niches repair replace install install repair replace repair replace repair replace repair replace install repair replace repair replace install repair replace commercial residential residential residential commercial commercial residential commercial Pool/spa equipment - pump, motor, heater, filter equipment, water treatment equipment install install repair replace repair replace install repair replace repair replace install repair replace repair replace repair replace repair replace commercial residential commercial residential commercial residential commercial residential Pool heaters* repair replace install repair replace Cleaning or sanitizing of equipment which Commercial commercial residential commercial residential residential requires at least a partial disassembling commercial residential (excluding filter changes) Install VGB compliant drain covers √ commercial Commercial √ residential commercial residential residential commercial residential (NO modifications) Substantial or complete draining of a residential commercial commercial residential residential swimming pool, hot tub or spa, for any commercial commercial residential repair or renovation Water treatment only. (Don't affect equipment or residential √ commercial commercial √ residential commercial residential residential commercial structural integrity of pool/spa.) Some counties require local license. Commercial requires pool service technician certification. residential commercial residential commercial residential commercial commercial residential Install a non-permanent, non-fixed above ground pool. repair replace install repair replace commercial residential commercial residential commercial residential commercial residential Set anchors and/or ladders, handrails, etc. repair replace install install install install repair replace Decorative or interactive water displays or commercial residential commercial residential commercial residential commercial residential areas that use recirculated water, including waterfalls and spray nozzles repair replace install repair replace repair replace repair replace repair replace repair replace install repair replace repair replace

- ** Gas hook up requires a Category I LP gas dealer, LP gas installer or specialty installer (if within their specifics) license. Also need license to sell equipment for the use of LP gas.
- *** Residential Pool/Spa Servicing Specialty Contractor license is found in Rule 61G4-15.040, FAC. It is limited to residential pools/spas only. Allows work statewide and contracting directly with the public.
- PLEASE NOTE: This is for general application and cannot address every specific situation / circumstance to that extent we suggest getting additional guidance from the local building department or CILB.
- Registered contractors are only allowed to do work in the county the license was issued in (unless other counties have reciprocity allowing your license to be valid in their area).
- Specialty licenses = only licensed in specific phase of construction and can only contract with a licensed commercial, residential or service contractor (with service, only renovations) (no homeowner or GC unless Jim Walters exemption applies). If licensed in all seven specialties, you cannot build a pool from start to finish. You would need to work under the supervision of a registered or certified commercial or residential pool contractor. The Residential Pool/Spa Servicing Specialty license is the exception and is permitted to work directly with homeowners.
- An electrical contractor's license is required to perform any electrical work more involved than simply inserting a power cord into an electrical outlet.