



## HOW TO FIND THE RIGHT

# Fence Company

A reputable fence installer can get the job done quickly and will have all of the necessary equipment to do so. They will also understand the various rules and regulations for installing a fence in your area and will get all the necessary permits to do so. Not all fencing companies are created equal however. Some companies are more interested in taking your money than they are in getting the job done right the first time. Because of this, it is a good idea that you research and carefully choose your fence company.

### The Benefits

- ✓ Professionals will have the knowledge and the tools to get the job done properly.
- ✓ Professionals will also know about the permits you need and any provisions that need to be taken before any work can begin.
- ✓ Professionals will take the stress out of the project for you, completely taking it over and making it as easy as possible for you.
- ✓ Fencing technicians will be able to discuss things like style of fencing with you and check out the area to suggest a type of fencing that will be best for you.
- ✓ Contractors will be able to tell you the different pros and cons of the different types of materials.

### The Questions

- ✓ Will staff from this company work on my fence, or do you use sub-contractors?
- ✓ How long have you been operating in the area?
- ✓ Do you offer a written guarantee?
- ✓ Are you bonded, insured, and licensed? Do you carry Worker's Compensation?
- ✓ Are you familiar with the various regulations and codes required by your city or country for fence installation?
- ✓ Do you provide references?
- ✓ What equipment, materials, and methods do you use for different fence installation projects?
- ✓ Will you visit the work site and take measurements before you quote me a price?
- ✓ Will you be the one to pull the work permit?
- ✓ How does your company handle special requirements?

# Fence Company CHECKLIST

- Ask around. Ask family, friends, neighbors and particularly, homeowners if they've ever used a fencing contractor and if so, if they can recommend anyone.
- Look online, in the Yellow Pages, and in other listings and directories to get names of even more fence companies in your area.
- Check online associations and recommendation sites. The American Fence Association and US Fence Guide are great places to start collecting a list of names.
- Compile a list of companies that might be right for you.
- Contact the Better Business Bureau to see if the companies have had any complaints lodged against them. Cross off any names that do.
- Start contacting the list of companies, ask your list of questions, and take notes on what the companies say.
- After talking to the different companies, compare your notes and shorten your list even further to three companies.
- Contact each of these companies and ask for an estimate. They will most likely want to come out and look at the site before giving you a quote so you can also arrange a time to do that.
- While the different contractors are there to give an estimate, also make sure to talk about the specifics of the site, the job, and to ask any questions you may have while there.
- Compare notes once again, along with your estimates, and choose the contractor you want to work on your fence.
- Call the company, ask them to draw up a contract, and schedule a time to begin the project.
- Review all areas of the contract, including the estimate, very carefully and, when happy with it, sign.



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## Researching a Fence Company's Reputation Before You Hire Them

If you are considering hiring a fence company in King George Virginia, to help you properly install your new fence, then you will want to do little bit of research to ensure that you are hiring a reputable company. There are both good and bad fence installation companies out there. A bad company only wants your money and may have poor customer service practices. A good company will make the process of installing your new fence quick and stress-free. Here is some research you can do to ensure that you are choosing a reputable fence company.

### Check out the fence company's reputation

There are several ways that you can go about checking up on a specific company's reputation in King George Virginia. You can go to your local Chamber of Commerce or Better Business Bureau and look for any complaints lodged against a fence company. One or two complaints are okay, but any ethics violations or lots of complaints probably means that the company doesn't offer great customer service. You can check out the Better Business Bureau online by visiting [www.bbb.org](http://www.bbb.org).

You can find out what other customers are saying about a fence company through online consumer review websites like Angie's List.com. You can also ask local industry professionals about a specific company's reputation. Try asking the clerk at the local hardware store, the salesman at the fence's manufacturer or an employee from your local home improvement store about a fence company's reputation. Odds are they know a fence company in the area and have recommended them in the past.

### Ask for References

Many high quality and reputable fence companies will offer you referrals from their past customers. You can always call up these referrals and ask them some questions. You can ask them if they were happy with the installation, if their fence was properly installed, if they were happy with the customer service they received and more. This gives you a firsthand account of the job the fence company performed for another customer.

It is important that you do this research and choose a reputable, high quality fence installation company. The list of potential problems that could occur if you make the wrong choice is very large. So save yourself the time and trouble and pick a fence company with a good reputation right off the bat.

We are sure after your fence company research for your home or business in King George VA, you will want to call Thomas Fence Company. Visit: <http://ThomasFenceCo.com>

