

**Goodhue County | Land Use Management Department**  
**Building Code Administration, Permits, and Inspections**

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## Property Owner as Contractor

Contractor License Not Required for Owner Self-Contracting on Own Property

Permit Number: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Purpose**

The purpose of this form is to have property owners acknowledge their responsibilities to the Minnesota State Building Code, to Zoning Ordinances, and to other applicable rules and regulations when they are doing work on their own home and/or acting as general contractor in building projects.

### **Statement**

I understand that the State of Minnesota requires that Residential Building Contractors, Remodelers, and Roofers, obtain a State License unless they qualify for a specific exemption from the licensing requirements. By signing this statement, I attest to the fact that I am building or improving my own property by myself. I claim to be exempt from the State License requirements because I am not in the business of building on speculation or for resale and this is the first residential property on which I have built or made improvements within the past 24 months.

I acknowledge that because I do not have a State License, I forfeit any mechanic's lien rights to which I may otherwise have been entitled under Minnesota State Statute 514.01.

I acknowledge that I may be hiring independent contractors to perform certain aspects of the construction or improvement of this property. Some of these contractors may be required to be licensed by the State of Minnesota. I understand that unlicensed residential contracting, remodeling, and/or roofing activity is a misdemeanor under Minnesota State Statute 326.92, subdivision 1, and that I forfeit my rights to reimbursement from the Contractor's Recovery Fund in the event that any contractors that I hire are unlicensed.

I also acknowledge that as the contractor on this project, I am solely and personally responsible for any violations of the State Building Code and/or County Ordinance in connection with the work performed on this property.

### **Attest to Understanding and Acknowledgement**

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Print Name of Property Owner*

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*Property Owner Signature*

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*Project Address*

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*Date*

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*City | State | Zip*

Please return this completed and signed statement with the Building Permit Application.

To determine if a contractor is required to be licensed, or to check on the licensing status of an individual contractor, contact your local Building Department or call the Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry, Construction Codes and Licensing Division at 651.284.5012.

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