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REQUIREMENTS FOR EMERGENCY CONSTRUCTION REGISTRATION

1. An applicant for Emergency Construction Registration (ECR) must be licensed or registered in good standing by another state in a regulated classification of work listed on the ECR application. Local municipal or county licenses or registrations will not be accepted.
2. The ECR will be valid for the duration of the emergency or declared disaster by the Governor and will expire when the Governor declares an end to the disaster. The registrant may complete regulated construction work in progress at the time the Governor declares an end to the disaster.
3. The registrant may only perform work listed and approved on the ECR application and may only perform work in counties that are declared to be emergency or disaster areas.
4. The individual issuing the ECR will make a photocopy of the applicant's driver's license and out-of-state contractor's license or registration. The contractor licensing section at the South Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation (LLR) will verify the out-of-state contractor license or registration as soon as possible. If an applicant cannot produce a valid contractor license or registration at the time of submitting the application, he/she may submit the application. Upon verification of a valid out-of-state license or registration by LLR, the registration may be issued.
5. If an applicant cannot prove he/she has a license or registration issued by another state, he/she must meet normal licensure requirements as prescribed by the Contractors' Licensing Board or the Residential Builders' Commission statutes and regulations. ⁱ
6. After the emergency or disaster ends, and the applicant wants to continue to perform regulated construction work in South Carolina, he/she must obtain proper licensure or registration.
7. When issuing an emergency construction registration ID card, circle COL for Columbia at the top of the registration application if the registration is issued in Columbia and COS if issued along the coast. Personnel should ensure that the registration numbers are issued in sequence and any remaining or deleted cards should be returned to the office upon an end to the emergency. Make a copy of the registration, keep at the issuing site, and send the original in a group to the Department contractor licensing section each Thursday morning.
8. Call the office and request additional cards when you get down to 500 cards remaining.
9. There is no fee for the emergency construction registration.

ⁱ Commercial work that costs \$5,000 or less per project, which includes the total cost of construction, does not require licensure or registration. This also applies to additions to residential property and building from the ground up. Any specialty work to residential property as defined in the 1976 Code of Laws of South Carolina, as amended, Section 40-59-20(7), which exceeds \$200, requires a registration.