

Reserve for Registrar of Deeds

Town of Edisto Beach  
Affidavit of  
OWNER BUILDER DISCLOSURE  
OWNERS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT



UNDER THE STATE LAW, SC CODE 40-59-260 OR SC CODE 40-11-360, I am the property owner of the property described on the attached. I acknowledge that have applied for a permit under an exemption to that law.

(NOTE: You must attach a self addressed/stamped envelope and a check for \$25.00 to the Colleton County Register of Deeds and mail to PO Box 157, Walterboro, SC 29488)

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

TMS #: \_\_\_\_\_ Lot # \_\_\_\_\_ Block # \_\_\_\_\_

“State law, SC Code 40-59-260 or SC Code 40-11-360 requires residential construction to be done by licensed residential builders and specialty contractors. You have applied for a permit under an exemption to that law. The exemption allows you, as the owner of your property, to act as your own builder even though you do not have a license. You must supervise the construction yourself. You may build or improve a one-family or two-family residence. The building must be for your own use and occupancy. It may not be built for sale or rent. If you sell or rent a building you have built yourself within two years after the construction is complete, the law will presume that you built it for sale or rent, which is a violation of this exemption. You may not hire an unlicensed person as your residential builder or specialty contractor. It is your responsibility to make sure that people employed by you have licenses required by state law and by county or municipal licensing ordinances. Your construction must comply with all applicable laws, ordinances, building codes, and zoning regulations.”

(D) At the time an owner personally appears and signs the building permit application as required by subsection (C) of this section, the local permitting agency shall provide the owner with all forms necessary to comply with subsection (E) of this section.

(E) If a residential building or structure has been constructed by an owner under the exemption provided for in this section, the owner of the residential building or structure must promptly file as a matter of public record a notice with the register of deeds, indexed under the owner's name in the grantor's index, stating that the residential building or structure was constructed by the owner as an unlicensed builder. Failure to do so revokes the statutory exemption.

(F) Nothing in this chapter may be construed to authorize an owner of a residential building or structure to hire a person or entity that is not licensed or registered in accordance with this chapter.

_____	_____	_____	_____
Date	Signature of Owner	Date	Witness 1
_____	_____	_____	_____
	Print Owner's name as it appears on Deed	Date	Witness 2

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by \_\_\_\_\_, who is personally known to me or has produced \_\_\_\_\_ as identification and signed this document in my presence. Affix seal or stamp below

WITNESS my hand and official seal this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public Signature My Commission expires