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# International Association of Certified Home Inspectors

## Get a Florida Home Inspector License

*Florida InterNACHI* is a state association of certified home inspectors. We are here to assist InterNACHI members who are trying to obtain a Florida home inspector license.



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### FAQ:

**Q:** How can I get grandfathered for a Florida home inspector license?

**A:** There are two ways:

If you have completed 120 fee-paid inspections, you'll need to do two things to get a Florida inspector license:

1. You will need to take 14 hours of inspection-related education. You can take these courses online and at no charge at <http://www.nachi.org/pre.htm>. Make sure you print off your Certificates of Completion at the end of the courses. If you have already taken courses, you can [print off your Certificates of Completion here.](#) [InterNACHI is a licensed education provider in Florida.](#)
2. You will need to apply for a license with the Florida Department of Business & Professional Regulation (DBPR). [You can download an application here.](#)

If you have not completed 120 fee-paid inspections, you'll need to do four things to get a Florida home inspector license:

1. If you are not a member of InterNACHI, you will have to join. Membership in *Florida InterNACHI* is free but only open to members of InterNACHI. [You can join InterNACHI here.](#)
2. You will need to take 14 hours of inspection-related education. You can take these online for free at <http://www.nachi.org/pre.htm> Make sure you print off your Certificates of Completion at the end of the courses. If you have already taken courses, you can [print off your Certificates of Completion here.](#)
3. You will need to take *Florida InterNACHI's* proctored Home Inspector Exam. Through the end of 2010, *Florida InterNACHI* will be offering these exams in four cities throughout Florida (see schedule below). The proctored exam costs \$100.
4. You will need to apply for a license with the Florida Department of Business & Professional Regulation (DBPR). [You can download an application here.](#)

Also, see Florida's [Department of Business & Professional Regulations' web page regarding grandfathering.](#)

**Q:** Has the Department recently assured us that we will get grandfathered?

**A:** Yes. The following email is from the Department:

From: DBPR Info <DBPR.Info@dbpr.state.fl.us>

Date: Tue, Jul 20, 2010 at 8:00 AM

Subject: RE: Dear Richard Morrison...

To: Nick Gromicko <nick@internachi.org>

*Mr. Gromicko,*

*Applicants who are certified by your organization and have passed a proctored exam will meet the requirements for grandfathering. The Department will not enforce unlicensed activity until July 1, 2011. This should allow anyone doing business as a home inspector to come into compliance with the new licensing requirements. They are able to continue working until then.*

**Q:** How much does it cost to join *Florida InterNACHI* and get certified?

**A:** Membership and certification in *Florida InterNACHI* are free. However, there is a cost to join InterNACHI (national) and have your examination proctored if you haven't already passed a proctored exam. The courses are online and free.

**Q:** What do I have to do to become certified by *Florida InterNACHI*?

**A:** To be a "Certified" member of *Florida InterNACHI*:

1. You must be a member, in good standing, of InterNACHI. [Join InterNACHI now.](#)
2. You must have completed at least 14 hours of verifiable education on home inspection services. [You can get the 14 hours of education online at no cost.](#)
3. You must pass the Florida InterNACHI Home Inspection Exam in a proctored setting.

**Q:** Where can I take InterNACHI's Inspector Exam (proctored version)?

**A:** You can take the exam at any one of these locations/dates/times:

- Exam schedule is here: <http://fl.nachi.org/info/info768.html>

**Q:** How can I study for the exam?

**A:** You can [take the free, online version for practice](#) (there are nearly 7 trillion different versions, so each one is different). The exam is free, but it costs \$100 to have it officially proctored. You can also [take InterNACHI's free, online inspection courses.](#)

**Q:** What will I need to bring to the exam?

**A:** Bring your drivers license (required) and InterNACHI ID# or InterNACHI photo ID (if you have one). You will receive an invoice via Pay Pal once you acknowledge your interest for a specific exam site and date. For alternate payment methods contact Zoe Fackler directly at 813-677-9287. The exam is only open to members of InterNACHI. [Not a member yet? Join.](#) Seating is limited to 75 InterNACHI members per test session. You must reserve your spot in advance. You can reserve your spot by emailing Zoe at [flnachi@verizon.net](mailto:flnachi@verizon.net) or by calling her at 1-813-677-9287.

**Q:** How long do I have to get grandfathered?

**A:** Grandfathering ends on March 1, 2011, but we recommend that you get your application into the DBPR by no later than the end of 2010. The DBPR had a typo on its original application which stated that grandfathering ended on July 1, 2010. The DBPR has since corrected this typo.

**Q:** Will certification in *Florida InterNACHI* give me what I need to be grandfathered into Florida's home inspector licensing regulations?

**A:** Yes. See Florida's [Department of Business & Professional Regulations' web page regarding grandfathering](#). You will need to provide proof that you passed the proctored exam, as well as proof that you completed 14 hours of inspector education. Free [course Certificates of Completion are available](#) online.

**Q:** It appears that *Florida InterNACHI's* requirements exactly mirror those required to be grandfathered in Florida. Is this true?

**A:** Yes. It is no coincidence that *Florida InterNACHI's* requirements mirror those required to be grandfathered, and exceed those requirements.

**Q:** What if the DBPR's requirements change?

**A:** *Florida InterNACHI's* requirements will reflect and exceed the Department's requirements and change if the Department's requirements change. The following email is from the Department:

On Mon, May 10, 2010 at 11:15 AM, Richard Morrison  
<Richard.Morrison@dbpr.state.fl.us> wrote:

*Dear Mr. Gromicko:*

*There is nothing preventing you from changing your requirements to meet the statutory requirements for purposes of grandfathering. Again, if your organization is a state or national association that offers certification through a proctored exam, it will meet that requirement.*

**Q:** Are there other ways to get a home inspector's license in Florida?

**A:** Yes. It would require, among other things, that you pass a Department-approved exam and that you complete a 120-hour course of study that covers a home's structure, electrical system, HVAC system, roof covering, plumbing system, interior components, exterior components, and site conditions that affect the structure. InterNACHI has applied for, but not yet received, Department approval of its [free, pre-licensing course curriculum](#). See the Department's website for [current information on licensing](#).

**Q:** Does InterNACHI provide the 60 hours of mold education?

**A:** Yes. Visit: <http://www.nachi.org/mold-florida.htm>

**Q:** I have more questions. Who can I talk to?

**A:** Email Nick at [fastreply@nachi.org](mailto:fastreply@nachi.org)

Nick Gromicko

<mailto:fastreply@nachi.org>

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Congratulations! With this license you become one of the nearly one million Floridians licensed by the Department of Business and Professional Regulation. Our professionals and businesses range from architects to yacht brokers, from boxers to barbecue restaurants, and they keep Florida's economy strong.

Every day we work to improve the way we do business in order to serve you better. For information about our services, please log onto [www.myfloridalicense.com](http://www.myfloridalicense.com). There you can find more information about our divisions and the regulations that impact you, subscribe to department newsletters and learn more about the Department's initiatives.

Our mission at the Department is: License Efficiently, Regulate Fairly. We constantly strive to serve you better so that you can serve your customers. Thank you for doing business in Florida, and congratulations on your new license!

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**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF  
THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CERTIFIED HOME INSPECTORS**

Whereas, the State of Florida has enacted certain laws governing home inspectors in Florida; and

Whereas, the State of Florida indicates that The InterNational Association of Certified Home Inspectors ("InterNACHI") must appoint a person or entity to proctor its home inspector examinations in Florida in order for its examination to comply with Florida's requirements; and

Whereas, InterNACHI believes that its Florida chapter, Florida InterNACHI and Zoe Fackler are qualified to proctor its examinations in Florida;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that InterNACHI does hereby appoint and authorize the Florida InterNACHI and Zoe Fackler to serve as proctors of all InterNACHI examinations in Florida and to perform all reasonably related duties.

Unanimously approved this 30<sup>th</sup> day of April 2010, by the Board of Directors of InterNACHI.

  
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NICK GROMICKO  
Chairman, Board of Directors

Other Florida links:

<http://www.nachi.org/4point.htm>

<http://www.nachi.org/wind-mitigation-inspection-course.htm%20>

<http://fl.nachi.org/info/members.html>

<http://www.nachi.org/florida-approved-education-provider.htm>

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