

Waterfront Project Estimate Form

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Send the same project details to every contractor so their estimates are easy to compare.

Fill in this page, then send pages 1 and 2 to each contractor you're considering. Ask them to complete page 2 and return it with their estimate. Use page 3 to compare the estimates side by side.

YOUR INFORMATION

Name	Phone	Email
City or neighborhood	Creek, river or bay	Street address (share when ready for a site visit)

PROJECT TYPE (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY)

☐ New dock or pier	☐ Dock or pier repair	☐ Floating dock
☐ New bulkhead	☐ Bulkhead repair or replacement	☐ Boat lift
☐ Living shoreline	☐ Rip rap or revetment	☐ Dock electrical or lighting
☐ Other:		

SIZE AND SITE

Dock or pier length (ft)	Dock or pier width (ft)	Bulkhead or shoreline length (ft)	Water depth at the end, low tide (ft)
Boat length and weight (for lifts)		Age and condition of what's there now	
How can equipment reach the site?			
☐ From the water	☐ Over land	☐ Either	☐ Not sure

PERMITS, TIMING AND BUDGET

Permit status

☐ Not started	☐ Applied	☐ Approved	☐ Want the contractor to handle it
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When would you like the work done?

☐ As soon as possible	☐ Within 3 months	☐ 3 to 6 months	☐ Flexible
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Budget range (optional)

NOTES FOR THE CONTRACTOR

Anything else they should know: storm damage, deadlines, HOA rules, photos you're sending

☐ Photos attached

Contractor Estimate

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Please complete this page and return it with your estimate. Thank you.

BUSINESS

Business name

Contact name

Phone

Email

Website

LICENSE AND INSURANCE

Virginia DPOR license number

Class

☐ A☐ B☐ C

Specialty (for example H/H or MCC)

Expires

Liability insurance company

Coverage amount

Expires

☐ Certificate of insurance provided☐ Workers' compensation coverage

SCOPE OF WORK AND MATERIALS

What's included (dimensions, removal of old structure, number of pilings, etc.)

Materials (pilings, decking or sheeting type, hardware, warranty brands)

PERMITS

Who applies for permits?

☐ Contractor☐ Homeowner

Permits needed

☐ VMRC☐ Wetlands board☐ Army Corps☐ Permit fees are included in the price☐ Local (Bay Act or land disturbance)

PRICE AND PAYMENT

Materials (\$)

Labor (\$)

Permits and fees (\$)

Removal and disposal (\$)

Total (\$)

Deposit (\$)

Payment schedule (when each payment is due)

SCHEDULE AND WARRANTY

Estimated start date

How long the work will take

This estimate is good until

Workmanship warranty

Materials warranty

☐ Cleanup and debris removal included

Contractor name and signature

Date

Compare Your Estimates

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Line up the answers from each contractor before you decide.

	Estimate 1	Estimate 2	Estimate 3
Contractor			
Phone			
License number and class			
License active on DPOR?			
Insurance certificate received?			
Total price			
Deposit			
Who handles permits			
Start date			
How long it will take			
Warranty			
Cleanup included?			
References or past work checked?			
My overall impression			

QUESTIONS TO ASK BEFORE YOU SIGN

- Is your license active, and is it in the same name as the business on this estimate?
- Can I see your certificate of insurance?
- Who applies for the permits, and are the fees included in the price?
- How long will permits take, and when is the next wetlands board deadline?
- What exactly is included, and what would cost extra?
- How much is the deposit, and when are the other payments due?
- What does the warranty cover, and for how long?
- Can I talk to a recent customer or see a job you've finished nearby?
- What happens if weather or permits delay the project?

Check every license yourself: look up the number at dpor.virginia.gov/LicenseLookup. The business name should match the estimate, and the license should be active. Our license guide at 757waterfront.com explains the classes.

Need more contractors to ask?

757waterfront.com lists local dock, pier, bulkhead, boat lift and shoreline contractors with their Virginia license shown.