



# City of Philadelphia

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**BILL NO. 090222**

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**Councilmember Jones**

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**Referred to the  
Committee on Licenses and Inspections**

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## **AN ORDINANCE**

Amending Section 9-1004 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Contractors," to impose additional requirements on those required to obtain a contractor license and to provide for City publication of contractor information and investigation of contractor violations, all under certain terms and conditions.

*THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA HEREBY ORDAINS:*

SECTION 1. Section 9-1004 of The Philadelphia Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

§ 9-1004. Contractors.

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(2) License required.

(a) No person shall act as a Contractor unless that person possesses a current and valid license issued under this Section. *The Department shall maintain a listing of all licensed contractors on a publicly accessible section of the City website and shall update this listing on at least a quarterly basis. This listing shall include the full business name of the contractor, its business address, the contractor's license number and its Business Privilege License.*

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(5) Required Conduct.

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(g) *Contractors shall display their complete business name, their permanent business address, their contractor license number as issued by the Department and their Business Privilege License number on each vehicle used in the contractor's business. The information required shall be permanently affixed in conspicuous places on both sides of the vehicle and printed in a recognizable manner in letters and numerals not less than one and one-half inches high.*

(6) **Prohibited Conduct.**

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(e) *No Contractor shall employ, hire or utilize [an unlicensed [subcontractor] a contractor to act as a subcontractor or perform any activity regulated under this Section unless such subcontracted contractor has a valid license under this Section.*

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(8) **Penalties, Sanctions and Investigations.**

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(b) *In addition to the penalties provided herein, a contractor that is found to be in repeat violation of performing contractor work without the license required under this Section shall be, based on a determination related to the severity, frequency and culpability of the offense, prohibited from receiving a license under this Section for a period of up to three years.*

(c) *In the event the Department determines that a contractor is operating without a contractor license, it shall investigate compliance with all other requirements under the Department's jurisdiction, including but not limited to, possession of a Business Privilege License, possession of all required permits, proper use of permits and compliance with all inspections requirements.*

(d) *Upon making a determination that a contractor is operating without a contractor license, the Department shall forward its findings to the Department of Revenue, which shall commence an audit and investigation of the contractor or subcontractor to determine whether such contractor is in compliance with all City tax-related and other financial obligations. The Department of Revenue shall regularly provide the Mayor and City Council a report summarizing the matters referred to it, the*

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*extent to which such matters were investigated and the results of the investigations made pursuant to this Section.*

SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall take effect sixty days after adoption into law.

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**Explanation:**

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted.  
*Italics* indicate new matter added.

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