

DO IT YOURSELF CHECKLIST

After you have assessed your and your family's needs and the condition of your home, read this check list. Consider each of these questions. Mark YES or NO based on your skills and understanding of the job to be done. If you answered NO more times than YES, you should consider hiring someone else to do the job.

YES NO

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| _____ | _____ | Do you understand the full extent of the job and all the steps involved? |
| _____ | _____ | Do you know what skills are involved and do you have those skills now? |
| _____ | _____ | Are you willing and do you have the opportunity to learn those skills which you do not now have? |
| _____ | _____ | Do you have the necessary tools or do you have access to them? |
| _____ | _____ | Is there someone you can go to for advice if you encounter problems in the middle of the project? |
| _____ | _____ | Do you know what materials are needed for the project? |
| _____ | _____ | Can you obtain these materials at reasonable cost and on time? |
| _____ | _____ | Have family members considered the mess, noise, disruption, and length of time needed to complete this do-it-yourself project? |
| _____ | _____ | TOTALS |

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