# Commercial Interior Finish Permit Requirements

## When Required:

An interior finish permit is required for preparing interior spaces of commercial buildings for the first occupancy of each space, if such work was not included under the original building permit.

## PERMIT CAN BE ISSUED TO:

1. Licensed general or building contractor or authorized agent(s) - subject to limitations of certificate - must present photo ID at Permit Center

2. Qualifying owner of a commercial Building whose total construction cost is less than $75,000.00 (including Building, Mechanical, Plumbing, Gas, and Electrical work), and whose occupancy and use is for the owner and not offered for sale or lease.

## SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

Please refer to the Commercial Plan Review Handbooks for submission requirements: Commercial Building Plan Review or Phased Commercial Building Plan Review.

## EARLY START AUTHORIZATION:

An Early Start Authorization is issued to allow construction to start prior to building plan approval on commercial interior finish construction, where the space is being used for the first time, and to the remodeling of existing spaces.

The Early Start Authorization allows construction up to the rough-in stage on building, mechanical, plumbing and electrical work, all under one permit. This authorization is temporary and expires upon the issuance of the individual permits, once building plan approval has been obtained.

The following information is required:

All plans must be certified and sealed by an Architect registered with the State of Florida, indicating that the plans comply with all applicable building codes.

Note: All work begun under an Early Start Authorization is done so, solely at the contractor's risk, and any code violations discovered at the rough-in inspection must be corrected by the contractor.

Note: Any Commercial construction projects greater than an amount determined by the plan examiner in cost and all buildings of Group A, E and I intended for public use shall be prepared by and bear the impress seal of professional architect registered, in the State of Florida. * Note - in some cases, manager approval may be needed.