

Universal Design Do It Yourself Checklist

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

Source: Phillips, R.G., Eubank, W., Brent, R.S. and Megrew, M.B., Remodeling: The Decision-Making Process, University Extension, University of Missouri-Columbia, 1988.

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