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WORKSHEET

Compare Exterior Cleaning Bids

Get **at least three written, itemized estimates**, the Florida Attorney General's office advises, and fill in one column per company. That way you compare scope and method, not just the total.

	Company A	Company B	Company C
Company name and phone			
Date of the estimate			
Written, itemized estimate?	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No
Total price			
Surfaces covered windows, roof, walls, driveway, screens, solar panels			
Method on each surface for example: glass by hand, roof and stucco soft washed, concrete pressure washed			
Left out of the price screens, tracks, interior glass, second stories, hard-water stains			
Proof of insurance ask what it covers, and confirm with the insurer that the policy is current	☐ Seen ☐ Policy current	☐ Seen ☐ Policy current	☐ Seen ☐ Policy current
License or registration look up anything they name at MyFloridaLicense.com	☐ Named ☐ Looked up	☐ Named ☐ Looked up	☐ Named ☐ Looked up
Reputation and recent jobs BBB.org, reviews, photos of jobs like yours	☐ BBB checked ☐ Saw recent jobs	☐ BBB checked ☐ Saw recent jobs	☐ BBB checked ☐ Saw recent jobs
Protects plants, screens, solar panels?	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No
Follows local water restrictions?	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No
Deposit asked for avoid large deposits; never pay the full amount up front			
If something is damaged or I am unhappy who do I call, and how is it made right, in writing?			
Start date and schedule			

Red flags

- An unsolicited offer, especially a discount using supplies left over from a previous job
- A request for a large deposit, or for the full amount up front
- No written, itemized estimate, or a contract you were not given time to read
- A request to sign a certificate of completion before you are satisfied with the work

Is the cheapest quote the best deal?

Not always. If a price is far below the others, find out why: a smaller scope, a faster method that is wrong for your surfaces, or a company with no coverage to fall back on. Compare like with like before you compare prices.

Disclaimer. General information for homeowners. Check any license, insurance, and rule yourself. **Sources:** Florida Attorney General, Scams at a Glance: After the Storm (revised Feb. 2025); MyFloridaLicense.com (Florida DBPR); BBB.org; Southwest Florida Water Management District, District Water Restrictions.

Full guide with links: shineotter.com/blog/how-to-hire-exterior-cleaning-company-florida.html · Updated November 11, 2026

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