

Contractor Guide for Neighborly Software



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Getting Started

Accessing the Contractor Portal

The Contractor Portal is hosted by Neighborly Software and is accessible via any internet connected device. The recommended browser is Google Chrome, but will work with any modern web browser (i.e. Internet Explorer v10+, FireFox, Safari).

Contractor Portal Link: https://portal.neighborlysoftware.com/wilsonnc/Contractor



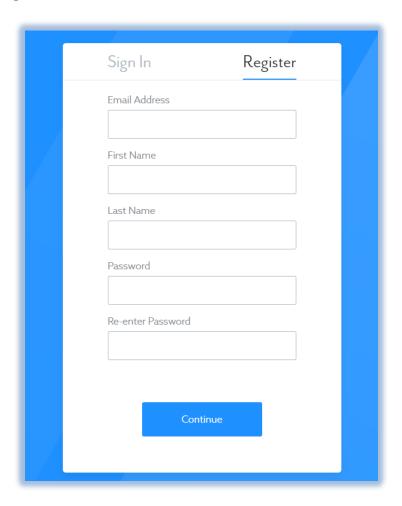
Registering your Account

When you access the Portal for the first time, you'll need to Register your account by clicking on the Register link. The registration process will create a user name (which is your email address) and password that will be used for future logins. The email address you choose will also be used for system emails/notifications, so it is recommended to use your work email address. For security purposes, the system will validate that you own the registered email address by sending an email with a validation link.

Note: If you do not receive the system email within 2 minutes, check your spam or bulk mail folder. If the email appears in that folder, you should right click on the email to indicate "Not Junk" or "Not Spam" to ensure you receive any other system notifications. Occasionally, for new clients, we may



need to work with the IT/Email Administrator to ensure spam filtering does not inadvertently block valid system messaging.



Logging In

Once your account has been registered, you may login (using the same link above) by entering the email address and password used during registration.





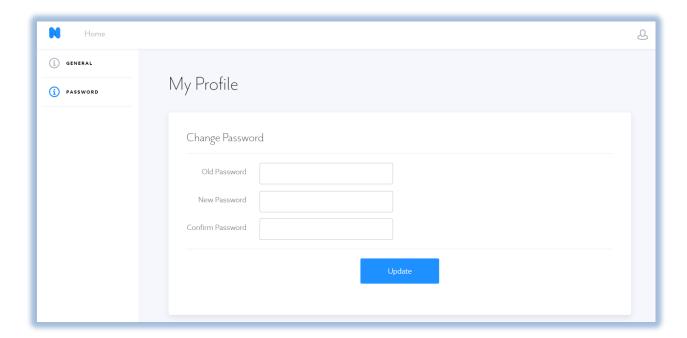
Forgot your Password

If you forget your password, click on the link at the bottom of the login screen that says "Forgot your Password?" and follow the prompts to create a new password. For security purposes, the system will send an email to the registered email address with a link to reset your password.



Changing your Password

To change your password, log into the Contractor Portal. Click on the icon on the top right corner of the screen, and select "My Profile". Then select the Password option on the left side of the screen. For security purposes, you will be required to enter your Old Password before selecting a New Password.



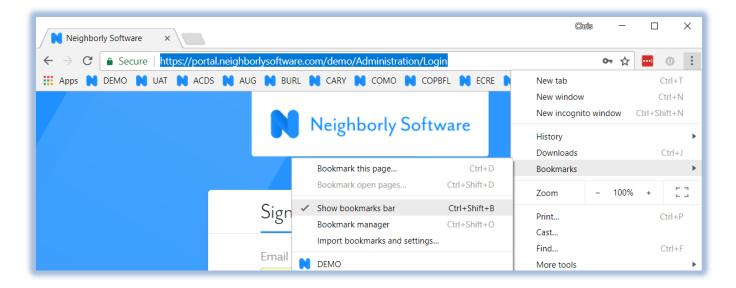
Signing Out

To sign out (aka log out) of the system, click on the icon on the top right corner of the screen and select "Sign Out". It is important to note that the system will automatically log a user out after 30 minutes of inactivity.

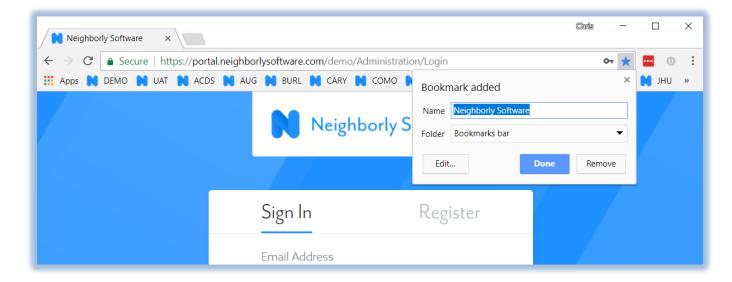


Creating a Desktop Link (with Google Chrome)

- 1. Launch Google Chrome (recommended browser for Neighborly Software)
- 2. Copy and Paste the Administrator Portal link into the Google Chrome navigation bar
- 3. Create a bookmark on the bookmarks bar
 - a. First, ensure your bookmarks bar is enabled: Click on the icon with the three vertical dots to the right of the navigation bar (see image below). Make sure Show bookmarks bar is checked.

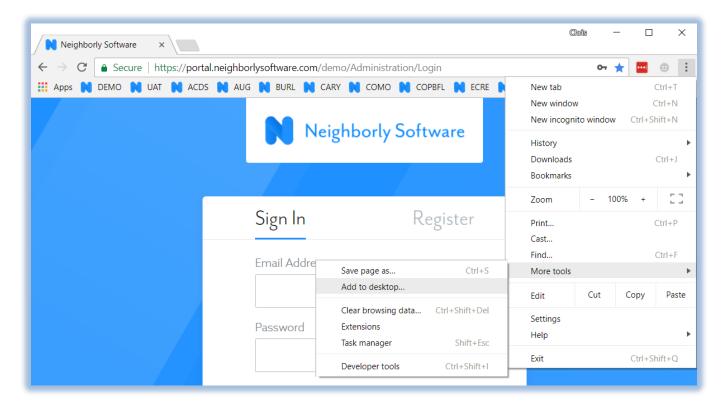


b. Next, we'll create the bookmark: To the right of the navigation bar, click the star icon to create a new bookmark. Ensure the "Folder:" is Bookmarks bar.

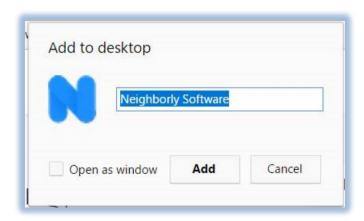




4. Now we can create a desktop icon link to the application. Click again on the icon with the three vertical dots, but this time, highlight More tools and then Add to desktop:



5. You should see a popup box similar to below. Create a shortcut name and click Add. Once complete, the icon should appear on your desktop.



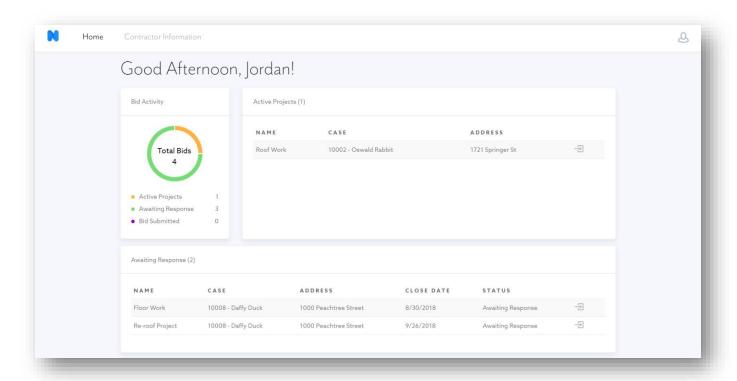


Contractor Portal Dashboard

The dashboard provides an overview of all Open Bids, Active Projects, and access to Contractor Information.

Navigating the Portal

Once you are logged in to the Contractor portal, you will be taken to the Dashboard. At the top of the screen is the Navigation Bar. The navigation bar is the primary way to navigate through the different modules in the portal. This navigation bar will be present throughout the system. You *cannot* use the browser's back and forward buttons within the application. Rather, use the links within the tool to navigate forward and backward.



Screenshot: Dashboard



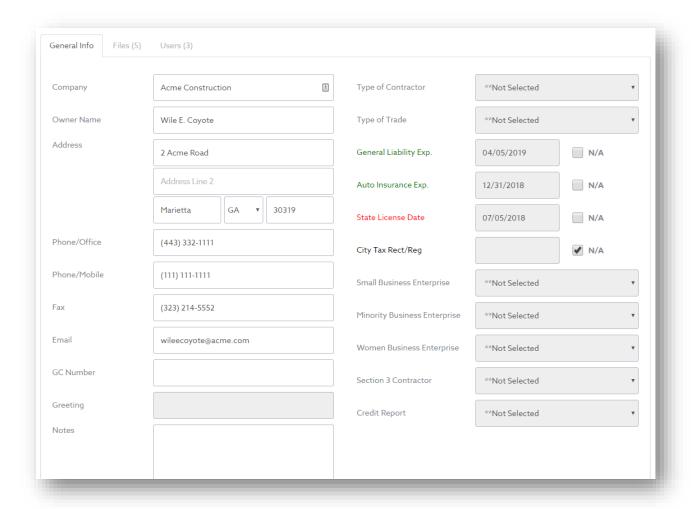
Contractor Information Module

The Contractor Information screen serves as a primary location to manage all of your information with Wilson, NC.

By selecting the "Contractor Information" link from the Navigation Bar, you will have access to the Contractor Information screen. This is where you can manage your information, track and upload your Files (Insurance Documents, Tax Information, etc.), and manage the users for your account.

Managing and Editing General Contractor Information

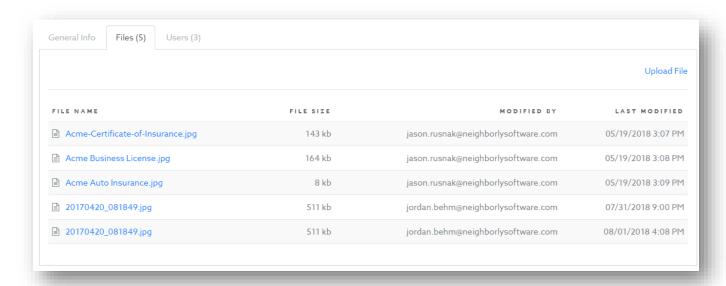
The General Info tab is where you manage all your company information that has been requested by Wilson, NC. Once you upload the appropriate license or insurance files, the Wilson, NC Administrator will verify the documents and update the appropriate expiration dates in the system.



Uploading Files

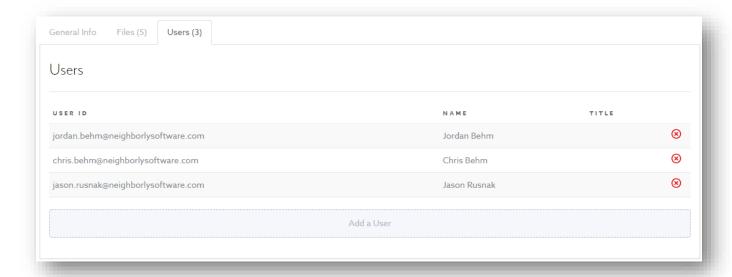


Any files that you need to share with Wilson, or Wilson, NC needs to share with you can be found on the "Files" tab.



Adding Account Users

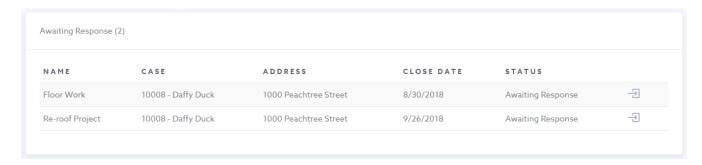
Additional users within your organization can be added on the "Users" tab. Once their User ID is entered (email), they can register their account in the Contractor portal by following the Getting Started Instructions outlined earlier in this Contractor Guide.





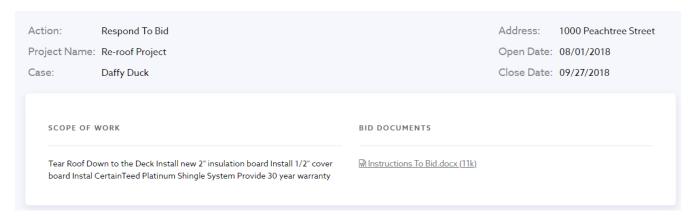
Responding to Bids

From your Dashboard, you can view all Bid Solicitations that are "Open." Click the arrow next to the bid solicitation to view the Bid Submission screen.



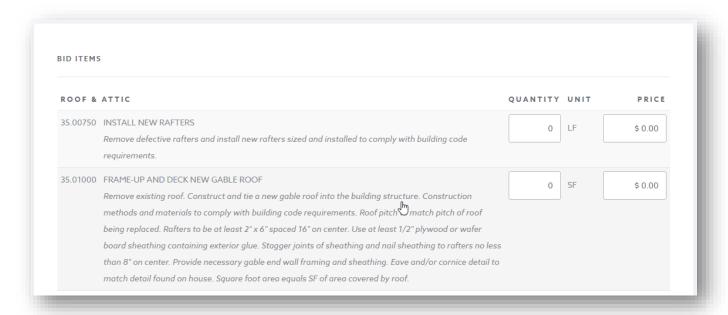
Reviewing Bid Information

On the top part of this screen you will see all of the general information about the project:





Below the Bid Information you will see a section labeled "Bid Items." This is where you can view the specific Work Items that have been specified for this project.



Saving & Submitting a Bid

Once you have reviewed all of the pertinent bid information, you may enter the bid amounts next to each line item. If you have additional costs that are not included as a Work Write Up Item, you can include that pricing in the "Supplemental Information" section at the bottom of the bid form.

You can also upload any Supporting Documentation with your bid submission. This may or may not be required depending on Wilson, NC's bid instructions.

Once you have completed your bid entry, you may either Save your work for later, or Save and Submit to finalize your submission. **Once you submit a bid, it can't be re-opened**. Once the bid closing date is passed, no changes can be made to the proposed bid.



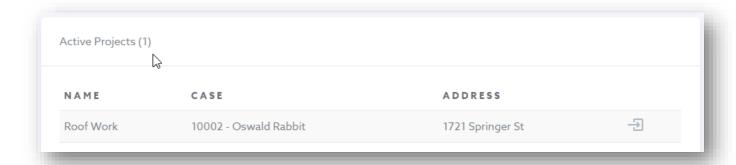
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35.00750	INSTALL NEW RAFTERS Remove defective rafters and install new rafters sized and installed to comply with building code requirements.	0	LF	\$ 0.00
35.01000	FRAME-UP AND DECK NEW GABLE ROOF Remove existing roof. Construct and tie a new gable roof into the building structure. Construction methods and materials to comply with building code requirements. Roof pitch to match pitch of roof being replaced. Rafters to be at least 2" x 6" spaced 16" on center. Use at least 1/2" plywood or wafer board sheathing containing exterior glue. Stagger joints of sheathing and nail sheathing to rafters no less than 8" on center. Provide necessary gable end wall framing and sheathing. Eave and/or cornice detail to match detail found on house. Square foot of pequals SF of area covered by roof.	0	SF	\$ 0.00
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Screenshot: Bid Submission



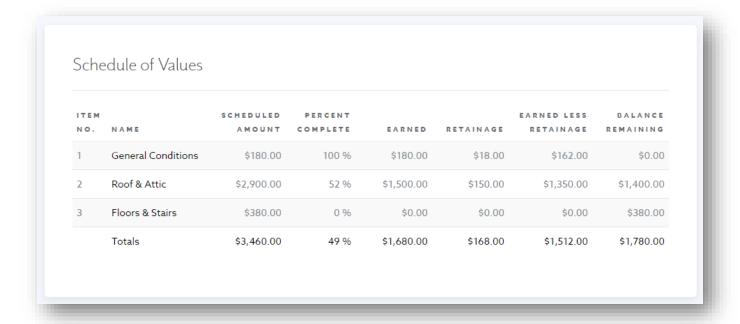
Active Projects

If a contract has been awarded to your company, you will see it listed in the "Active Projects" section of the Dashboard. Click the arrow to view the details of the Project.



Schedule of Values

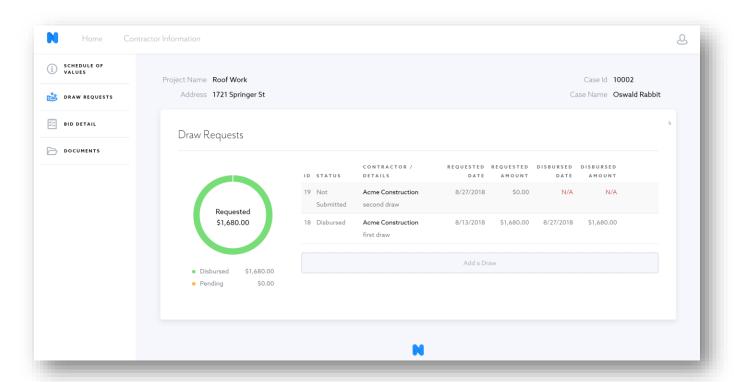
The first screen you will see when you access a Project is the Schedule of Values. These values have been set up by the Wilson, NC Administrator to track and manage construction progress and disbursements. You will use these scheduled values to create draw requests.





Submitting Draw Requests

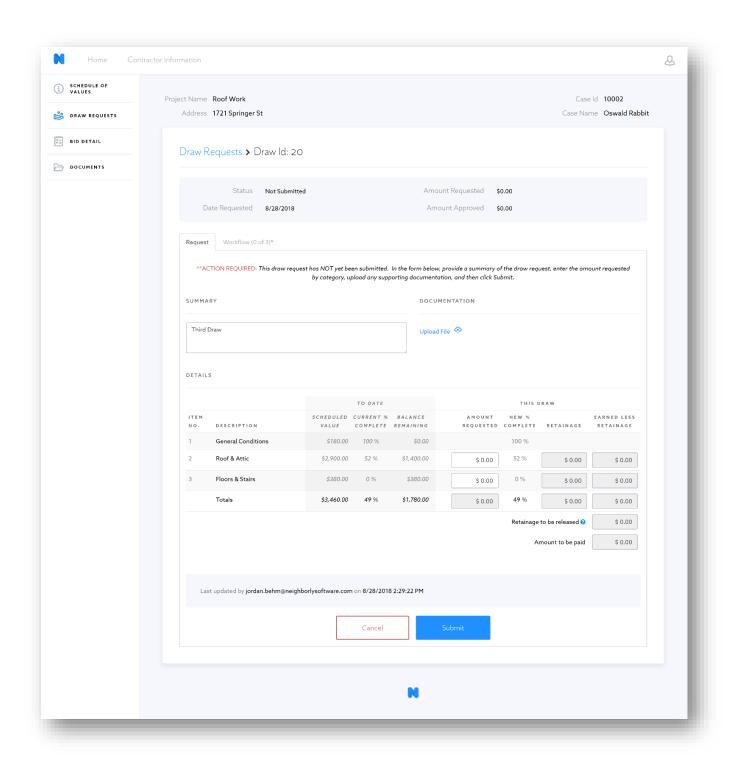
On the Draw Requests tab, you can request draws based on construction completion as well as view previous draw requests and their corresponding approval status. To create a new draw request, click on the "Add a Draw" button and follow the steps below.



- 1. Provide a brief description of the draw request.
- 2. Attach all required supporting documents for the draw request (e.g. invoices, receipts, timesheets). Note, you can add (upload) as many files to the draw request as necessary.
- 3. Assign the appropriate amount of money to each schedule of values that is included in the draw request. Note that the system will not allow you to request more money than what is available in the "Remaining Balance" column.
- 4. Click "Submit" to send the draw request to the Wilson, NC Administrator for review.

Once a draw request is submitted, you can track Wilson, NC's approval process by clicking on the "Workflow" tab.



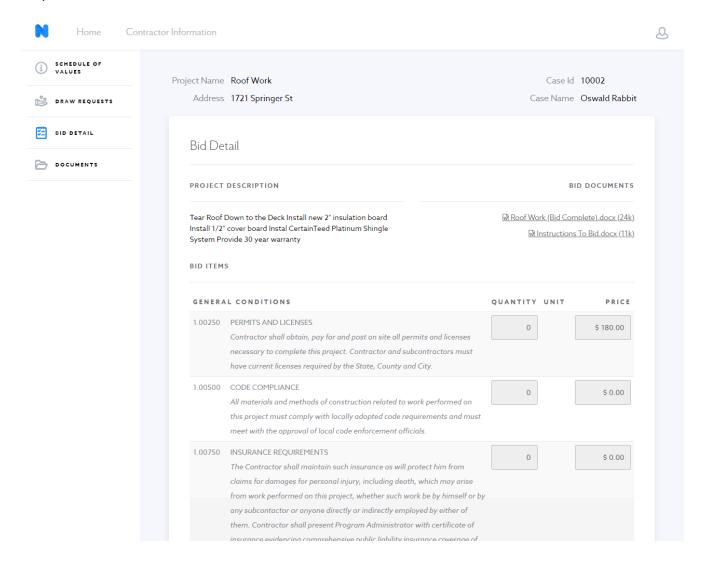


Screenshot: Draw Request



Bid Detail

The "Bid Detail" tab provides an overview of your initial bid submission for this project. This is a readonly screen.





Documents

In the Documents tab, you can upload documents related to this project.

