

The Castle Process

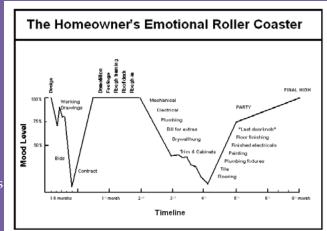
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Living Through a Remodel

A positive working relationship between homeowners and contractors is essential in order to produce a successful outcome for any remodeling project. Remodeling your home can be likened to riding an emotional rollercoaster.

Castle Building & Remodeling will do everything in its power to help smooth out the ride and meet your expectations. However, there are several things we ask homeowners to do and to keep in mind to help us make that happen.



Most importantly, expect the unexpected. It is sometimes hard to prepare homeowners for all the unforeseen incidents that may transpire during their remodeling project. It is difficult to predict late deliveries, strikes, shipment shortages, wrong parts, oversights, and human errors that can occur, causing a chain reaction that invariably leads to a delay in the process. Also, consider the logistics involved in delivering, shipping and ordering materials and making the best use of the tradesmen's time and skill. Castle is as anxious as you are to finish the job and we will stay on top of the materials schedule as much as possible, but please allow a margin for human error.

We always encourage our customers to brush up on building methods. A little construction savvy will help see you through those blue days when workmen do not show up. You will find that remodeling proceeds in stages. For instance, separate crews install framing, siding, insulation and roofing. Additionally, painters, electricians, plumbers and carpenters may all have to make several trips to complete their jobs, so don't be surprised if disruptions in the schedule occur.

Questions about the construction process will inevitably occur. It is important to address these questions or construction changes only with our Project Manager. Our crews are following orders, and therefore may not be able to answer all of your questions.

Try to stay out of the construction area. This is important for safety and to maintain construction schedules. Please keep children and pets out of workmen's way.

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The following are a few tips for protecting your home and your valuables during remodeling and other projects.

While remodeling-

- Carpeted stairs: use a tarp to protect them. To
 do this, lay a tarp over the stairs, then take wood
 strips and place them in the corner where each
 stair meets. Use wood nails to hold the wood
 strips to the carpet. This will make it easy for
 you to use the stairs during remodeling.
- For wood stairs: tape them down.
- For doorways: use two pieces of plastic. Both pieces should be 2/3 the width of the door. Tape one plastic piece to the top and 1 side of the door. Tape the second piece to the top and the opposite side of the door. You will be able to walk easily through the doorway, but because the plastic is layered, it will not spread the mess to the next room.
- For windows: use a thin piece of plastic that you can stretch tightly across the window. A blow dryer will make the plastic tight. The window will be protected and you will still be able to see through it.

While painting-

- Empty the room completely.
- Cover outlets with tape and/or plastic.
- Protect sconces by covering them with plastic bags.
- Cover baseboards and floor with plastic. For double protection against spills and splatters, lay a drop cloth over the plastic.

While moving large items

- To easily move appliances out of a room, push it onto a piece of cardboard and use an appliance dolly to transport it.
- Protect hardwood floors and any furniture that may dent easily by laying down a carpet pad when carrying heavy items through the home.
 The pad will help soften the impact.
- You don't need to remove a table from an area in which you are working. Just place down a few pieces of cardboard, place a piece of tarp over it, and use it as a work table.

And lastly, relax. Keep calm and flexible. Before you know it, the work will be done and you will soon be enjoying your beautiful new space.

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