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Compare the scope. Then compare the price.

Free educational checklist for homeowners comparing contractor proposals. Use the same project description and selections for each contractor.

Scope and quantities

Are the same rooms, surfaces, quantities, preparation and finish levels included?

Materials and allowances

Are products specified? What does each allowance cover, and how are overages or unused allowances handled?

Labor and installation

Who supplies and installs each item? Are delivery, handling and connections included?

Protection and disposal

Who protects occupied areas, removes debris, pays disposal costs and performs final cleanup?

Permits and inspections

Who identifies applicable requirements, applies, schedules inspections and pays the fees?

Exclusions and assumptions

What is excluded? What must be true for the quoted price and schedule to hold?

Change orders

How will added work be documented, priced and approved before proceeding?

Payments and completion

Are payments tied to defined milestones? What counts as completion?

Schedule and selections

Are start conditions, material lead times and owner selection deadlines documented?

Contractor checks

Verify relevant credentials, insurance, comparable work and references before hiring.

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Your comparison worksheet

Record what each proposal actually says. Use "not stated" when wording is missing; do not assume it is excluded.

Compare	Proposal A	Proposal B	Question / next step
Total and date	_____	_____	_____
Scope / quantities	_____	_____	_____
Materials	_____	_____	_____
Allowances	_____	_____	_____
Owner-supplied items	_____	_____	_____
Exclusions	_____	_____	_____
Change procedure	_____	_____	_____
Payment milestones	_____	_____	_____
Start / duration	_____	_____	_____
Permits / cleanup	_____	_____	_____

Before choosing

Ask each contractor for written clarification. Do not compare totals as equivalent until you understand differences in scope, quantities, allowances and exclusions. Keep the original proposals and dated revisions.

Need help reading the details?

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