

Questionnaire

This questionnaire provides a good starting point for discussing your ideas with us.

Note your answers to each question on a separate sheet of paper, adding any important preferences or dislikes you may have. Then gather your notes, any clippings you've collected and you're ready to meet with us.

GENERAL

- What's your main reason for changing your kitchen?
- How long do you plan on living in the home you are remodeling/building?
___ 1 to 5yrs, ___ 6 to 10yrs, ___ 11 to 20yrs, ___ 20+
- How many people are in your household? List adults, teens, children & pets.
- Are you right-handed? Left-handed? How tall?
- Do you entertain frequently? Formally? Informally? Do you like great-room (open-plan) designs?
- Is the kitchen located on the first or second floor? Is there a full basement, crawl space, or concrete slab below? Is there a second floor, attic, or open ceiling above?
- What type of heating system do you have?

DESIGN

- Do you have an open or vaulted ceiling?
- Is the kitchen to be designed for a physically challenged person? Is the individual confined to a wheelchair?
- What style is your home's exterior?
- What style would you like for your kitchen? (For example, high-tech, country, contemporary, French country, traditional, etc.)
- What color schemes do you prefer?
- Should soffit space above cabinets be boxed in? Open for decorative articles? Cabinets continuous to ceiling?
- What countertop materials do you prefer: Laminate? Ceramic tile? Solid surface? Butcher block? Stone? Stainless steel? More than one material?
- Do you want a 4-inch or full backsplash?
- What are present wall and ceiling coverings? What wall treatments do you like? Paint? Wallpaper? Wood? Faux finish? Plaster? Glass block?
- What flooring do you have? Do you need new flooring? Wood? Vinyl? Ceramic tile? Stone? Other?

WORK AREA

- Will this be a two-cook kitchen?
- What secondary activity areas do you want? Baking center? Planning desk? Breakfast nook? Laundry and ironing center? Wet bar? Other?
- Would you like an island or a peninsula?

CABINETS & STORAGE

- List new cabinet material to be used: wood, laminate, or other? If wood, should it be painted or stained? Light or dark? If natural, do you want oak, maple, pine, cherry?
- Cabinet requirements: Appliance garage? Pull-out shelves? Lazy Susan? Tilt-down sink front? Pantry pack? Storage wall with pull-out bins? Tray divider? Spice storage? Breadbox/flatware drawer? Wall oven cabinet? Built-in microwave? Vent hood? Built-in refrigerator? Utility cabinet? Cutting board? Knife storage? Wine rack? Wastebasket? Glass doors? Open shelving? Other?

LIGHTING

- What lighting type is desired: Incandescent? Fluorescent? Halogen? 12-volt or low-voltage? What fixture types? Recessed down lights? Track lights? Pendant fixtures? Under cabinet strips? Indirect soffit lighting?

APPLIANCES

- List your present appliances. What new appliances are you planning? What finish: white, black, matching panel?
- Would you prefer a vent hood or downdraft system? Do you want a decorative ceiling fan?

RENOVATIONS

- Can existing plumbing be moved?
- If necessary, can present doors and windows be moved?
- Consider any other structural additions: Skylights? Greenhouse window or sunroom? Cooking alcove? Pass-through? Other?

TIME & BUDGET

- What time framework do you have for completion?
- What budget figure do you have in mind?

WISH LIST

- What features do I really need in my new kitchen and which do I not want?

Appliances:

Range
Refrigerator
Dishwasher
Trash compactor
Garbage disposal
Microwave
Range hood
Warming drawer
Wine chiller
Hot water dispenser
Built-in icemaker
Second dishwasher
Extra refrigerator or freezer space
Bar sink
Television
Radio
More electrical outlets

Work area:

More counter space
Island area

Cabinetry and storage:

Tilt-down drawer for sponges
Spice rack
Built-in wine rack
Appliance garage
Bookshelf for cookbooks
Breadbox
Cutlery storage area
Recycling area
Divided tray storage
Computer work area
Lazy Susan storage
Adjustable shelving
Divided silverware drawer
More drawer storage
More shelf storage
Glass door fronts

Lighting:

Task lighting
Toe-kick lighting
Under cabinet lighting