

# Furnishing Dates & Your Mechanic's Lien Rights

Are you serving preliminary notices, filing mechanic's liens, and serving bond claims? Make sure you know your furnishing dates!



Notice, mechanic's lien/bond claim, and suit deadlines are frequently calculated from your first furnishing date, last furnishing date, and/or the date of entire project completion.

## FF First Furnishing

Your first furnishing date is the date on which you first provide materials or perform services for a project.

### Materials Only

If you are providing materials only, your first furnishing date is typically the date the materials first arrive on the job site.

### Labor Only

If you are providing labor only, your first furnishing date is typically the date you first arrive on the job site.

### Materials & Labor

If you are providing both materials & labor, your first furnishing date is typically the first date either materials or labor are provided on the job site.

## LF Last Furnishing

Your last furnishing date is the date on which you last substantially furnish materials or perform services for a project.

### Can be Tricky to Determine

Determining your last furnishing date may be a bit more complicated than determining your first furnishing date. The key to your last furnishing date is that it needs to be substantial.

### Questionable Last Furnishing Dates

- Punch list work
- Warranty work
- Remediation
- Small shipments (*in comparison to total contract*)

## C Completion

Completion is the date of fulfillment of the prime contract for work of improvement.

## A Acceptance

Acceptance is an official act where entry is made in the government records that a public work under contract is completed and accepted.

*Note: Completion is typically when the general contract is complete, not necessarily the date your contract is complete.*

Securing your mechanic's lien and bond claim rights starts the moment you enter into a contract to furnish to a project.

Make sure you are familiar with the state statute and make sure you know what deadlines lay ahead.

Missing a deadline could mean missing your opportunity to protect and collect.



Questions about your furnishing dates or mechanic's lien and bond claim rights?

## Contact NCS Credit today!



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