

International Code Council Government Relations Update August 2013

New Chapter Annual Report Submission Format – Due In August

Chapters now have one deadline - August 15 - to submit your Annual Report in order to receive all your Chapter benefits, including a complimentary registration to ICC's Annual Conference. Anyone who submits their Annual Report after August 15 but before the end of the year will still qualify for a Chapter Education Benefit Day. This August 15 deadline is a firm date; if you wish to qualify for all your benefits, you must file before this date.

Once you submit your Annual Report, the Chapter's designated contact person will receive an email with the discount code you'll need in order for your Chapter President to complete complimentary registration for the Annual Conference. Please do not register until you receive that code. If you feel you should have already received the code or have other questions, please call or email Karla Higgs at 888-ICC-SAFE (888-422-7233), ext. 5268, khiggs@iccsafe.org

Public Comment Hearing Schedule Posted

The schedule for the Public Comment Hearing in Atlantic City has been posted to the ICC Website: <http://www.iccsafe.org/HearingSchedule>

ICC/Target "Get Everyone Certified" Campaign Deadline Approaching!

In its ongoing commitment to education and safe communities, Target will be awarding three code enforcement departments with a \$1,100 credit for ICC educational offerings, such as training and training materials. All departments with 100% newly certified staff will be entered into a drawing by population size. Winning departments will be recognized by Target at the ICC Annual Conference in Atlantic City, NJ, September 29-October 2. To be eligible for the drawing, code enforcement departments must submit the form by August 16. Get more information about the campaign here: <http://www.iccsafe.org/Accreditation/Pages/GetEveryoneCertified.aspx> and submit your 100% certified department for your chance to win here: <http://www.iccsafe.org/Accreditation/Pages/Isyourtechnicalstaff100certified.aspx>

HUD Identifies IRC, IBC, IPMC and IEBC as Codes to Be Used to Assure Safe Housing

The final rule issued by the Department of Housing and Urban Development requires that, upon completion, all rehabilitation work performed on HOME-assisted projects must meet all state and local codes, ordinances, and requirements. In the absence of state or local building codes that address rehabilitation, the work must meet the International Existing Building Code (IEBC). In general, the IEBC provides alternative approaches to the IBC and IRC with respect to remodeling, repair, or alteration of existing buildings, as many existing buildings cannot comply with building code requirements for new construction.

Free Online Tornado, Hurricane Safety Course Available

The Code Council is offering a free online course in the ICC Online Campus to provide consumers with the information necessary to make an informed decision about installing a storm shelter in their homes. The course provides additional information on the weather hazards which affect life safety and how a storm shelter mitigates these risks. View the free online course today:

<http://campusonline.iccsafe.org/crs.php?S=1&L=103&C=248>

ICC National Certification Exams—2012 Version Available Now!

Exams based on the 2012 codes will be administered via computer-based testing beginning July 1. Register today and be among the first to get your 2012 International Code certification. Computer-based testing for the 2009 codes is still available and will be offered through at least December 2013. Register soon to ensure your seat in the remaining 2009 computer-based exams. View the computer-based testing exam bulletin. To see a full list of national certification exams, click here: <http://www.iccsafe.org/Accreditation/Pages/ExamCandidates.aspx> ICC also offers training materials that can help you prepare for your exam. Click here to view the 2012 materials in the ICC Store: <http://shop.iccsafe.org/codes/2012-international-codes.html>

Help Spread the Word About Atlantic City!

ICC requests chapters' assistance with placing the online Annual Conference ad on your website and send a conference flyer to your network of colleagues directing them to our conference registration website. Simply click here: <http://www.iccsafe.org/newsroom/annual/Pages/PromoKit.aspx> to go to our landing page to download the conference web ad and flyer.

Your efforts to help encourage conference participation are greatly appreciated and will help in the development of quality building codes to construct safe, sustainable and resilient structures.

10th Anniversary Conference Advertising Opportunity Available for Chapters

ICC would also like to make you aware of a special advertisement opportunity we are offering in this year's conference program. If you would like to Honor an Individual, Acknowledge your Chapter, Remember a Fallen Colleague or show your support of ICC's 10th Anniversary, please click here: http://www.iccsafe.org/content/Documents/2013_Congrat.pdf for more information.