

International Code Council Government Relations Update – August 2015

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Voter Registration or Revalidation ENDS THIS MONTH!

The International Code Council requires that all Governmental Member Voting Representatives are registered and validated to be eligible to vote on code changes. All Primary Member Representatives need to designate or revalidate their Governmental Member Voting Representatives (GMVR) online by **August 31, 2015** to be eligible to vote at the Annual Business Meeting or Public Comment Hearings. Check your GMVRs' status online today:

https://av.iccsafe.org/eweb/DynamicPage.aspx?WebCode=LoginRequired&Site=ICC&URL_success=http://www.iccsafe.org/myicc/%3fusertoken%3d%7btoken

Register Now for the 2015 ICC Annual Conference!

It's already time! The 2015 ICC Annual Conference and Group A Public Comment Hearings, September 27 - October 7 in Long Beach, California, is approaching quickly and it's time to register. The hotel block is open and online registration is easier than ever. Take advantage of the quick and easy registration process and receive your email confirmation the same day! Click here to get started:

<https://www.eiseverywhere.com/ehome/124399>

Register for the 1st Annual Ron Burton Golf Outing!

In celebration of the life and work of William Ronald "Ron" Burton, a renowned code expert who worked on many code-related projects for ICC, BOMA and NAHB, this 1st Annual Ron Burton Golf Outing is a fundraising effort developed by the Past Presiding Officers to develop training and resources for the next generation of code officials. It offers a great opportunity to get together with fellow code professionals during a shotgun start golf tournament to be held on Sept. 27, 2015, at the Recreation Park 18 Golf Course.

The tournament will be a shotgun-start on one of Long Beach's best golf courses. The tourney will include a 50/50 drawing; prizes for the longest drive and closest to the pin; a hole-in-one contest (with a chance to win a Mazda 6); and gifts for all participants. Transportation, breakfast and lunch will be provided. Click here for registration: http://media.iccsafe.org/2015_MarComm/15-10614_Long_Beach_Site/docs/15-11069_Sign-Up_Form.PDF

New Video Explains the HERS Index – What You Need to Know

As many of you already know, ICC has partnered with RESNET to include the HERS Index as part of the compliance option for the 2015 IECC – but what does that mean to you? Check out this two minute video on the HERS Index made by RESNET. It makes it easy to understand HERS Index and its relationship with codes! View it here at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y1s7TEwOvVA>

ICC Preferred Provider Program: Now with New and Improved Features!

ICC is always striving to provide the best in training to its members and beyond with our Preferred Provider Program, and we've made some improvements to the website to make it even easier to find what you're looking for:

- **Ability to search/filter by Preferred Provider** – Those seeking training opportunities can now search/filter by Preferred Provider name, allowing users to view all courses offered by a single provider at any time.
- **Ability to search/filter by specialty** – Users also may filter a single provider's courses or all courses by specialty, such as building, fire, plumbing, mechanical, etc.
- **Edit course/resubmit course** – You can now edit a course that has been denied. This feature will allow you to edit/modify your course information and make the requested changes, rather than creating a completely new course submittal. Once edits are made, you can re-submit the course for approval. This change will save significant time for providers since denials are sometimes due to minor inaccuracies that can be corrected easily.
- **Improved search feature** – Those seeking training opportunities can now search by three characters. Searching by three characters did not result in any valuable information prior to this update. The new capability allows search for terms such as IRC or IBC to quickly see a display of related courses.

Earn Your Certification on the 2015 I-Codes

Register now for the International Code Council's National Certification exams based on the 2015 I-Codes®. Computer-based and paper-and-pencil testing are available at more than 350 sites nationwide. Remember, ICC Certifications are an asset to your career – just look at what James Southerland, owner of A&D Inspections, had to say: "I received the ICC Commercial Energy Inspector Certification last fall and it has more than paid for itself already. My name is out there and I'm getting contacted with work." Demonstrate your commitment to public safety in the built environment by pursuing certification in the 2015 I-Codes®. Register now at this site:

<http://go.iccsafe.org/e/25182/tional-exam-info-registration-/2lxm3s/748549503>

Also, Exam administrations on the 2009 I-Codes will only be held once more this year, on December 12. Register now for this final upcoming exam administration – the deadline is October 31, but don't delay and save your seat!

Contribute to the Development of ICC Certification Exams

Share your expertise and help ensure the credibility and validity of International Code Council Certifications by serving on an Exam Development Committee! The following committees will have seats available for three-year terms to begin on Jan. 1:

- Certified Building Official
- Electrical
- Fire Services
- Fire Sprinkler
- Green Building
- Portable/Pre-Engineered Fire Extinguishing Systems
- Reinforce/Prestressed Concrete
- Structural Steel

These committees oversee the development of various exams, however no testing experience is required. Committee members typically meet for one in-person meeting that runs two to three days and multiple Web conferences throughout the year. Committee members earn CEUs for their participation, and this is a great way to add to your professional credentials. For more information visit the Exam Development Committee Applicant Snapshot here: <http://go.iccsafe.org/e/25182/ads-EDC-Applicant-Snapshot-pdf/2klrmx/737374695>. To apply, download and complete the application, located here: <http://go.iccsafe.org/e/25182/exam-development-committee/2klrmz/737374695>. **Applications are due by Aug. 24.**