

## International Code Council Government Relations Update

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### 2015 Editions of the International Codes Now Available.

The 2015 I-Codes (link: <http://shop.iccsafe.org/codes/2015-international-codes-and-references.html>) help achieve resiliency, safety, innovation and affordability in the built environment. Code users can begin today to prepare for adoption and use of the newest codes. Code purchases include a free subscription to ICC's new Code Alert service that provides critical code updates and free access to videos, excerpts from support documents and training resources.

### It's That Time Again: Chapter Annual Reports

All chapters must submit their Annual Reports by August 15 in order to qualify for the Chapter President complimentary Annual Conference registration benefit. Once submitted, the Chapter President will receive a discount code may be used to register for the Annual Conference. If you submit your Annual Report after August 15, you'll still be available for benefits such as a 2015 Chapter Education Benefit; you'll only have missed the complimentary Chapter President registration. You may transfer the complimentary registration to *one other Chapter officer* with notification. Email [khiggs@iccsafe.org](mailto:khiggs@iccsafe.org) if you have any questions or wish to transfer the registration.

### Speaking of the Annual Conference...

The 2014 ICC Annual Conference, Group C Public Comment Hearings and Expo will be held September 28-October 5 in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Registration is now open, and you can SAVE \$60 if you register before August 15th. The link to register is here:

<https://ww2.eventrebels.com/er/EventHomePage/CustomPage.jsp?ActivityID=10579&ItemID=41735>

When you register for the Conference, look carefully at the Conference schedule:

<https://ww2.eventrebels.com/er/EventHomePage/CustomPage.jsp?ActivityID=10579&ItemID=41738> .

What's changed? The Conference is one day shorter this year so everyone can attend as many events as possible and save on their travel expenses. Region meetings are now on Sunday afternoon, following the Membership Council Annual Meetings. In addition, there will not be any breakfast meetings this year. The Chapter Presidents Breakfast has been folded into the Networking Luncheon on Monday, where Chapter Presidents will be recognized. The Chapter of the Year Award will be presented at the Awards Luncheon on Tuesday.

### Applications for Code of Honor Scholarships Still Open

Code of Honor professional development scholarships help ensure that the I-Codes reflect the consensus view of officials at all levels of government by providing funding to Governmental Member Voting Representatives seeking to attend and participate in the Public Comment Hearings held October 1-7, 2014 in Ft. Lauderdale, FL. The Code of Honor Scholarship program includes the following categories: Architect Leaders, Emerging Leaders, Future Leaders, International Leaders, Match

Scholarship, Small Town Leaders, and Veteran Leaders. Find out more here:

<http://www.iccsafe.org/scholarships/Pages/CodeHonor.aspx>

### **And Don't Forget: You Nominate the Award Recipients**

Chapter of the Year (COTY) Award nomination forms are posted on the ICC website here:

[http://www.iccsafe.org/Documents/2014\\_Chapter\\_Awards\\_App.pdf](http://www.iccsafe.org/Documents/2014_Chapter_Awards_App.pdf). Be sure to submit your Chapter's nomination before the July 1 deadline.

You also have until July 1 to nominate your deserving colleagues for the following awards:

- Bobby J. Fowler Award
- Gerald H. Jones Code Official of the Year Award
- Raising the Profile Award
- ICC Affiliate Award
- ICC Community Service Award
- ICC Fire Service Award
- ICC Policy Maker of the Year Award

Any of these nominations can be made using one convenient form found here:

[http://www.iccsafe.org/Documents/Awards\\_Call\\_for\\_Nominations.pdf](http://www.iccsafe.org/Documents/Awards_Call_for_Nominations.pdf).

### **Be Part of A New Initiative: the ICC Professional Development Council**

ICC is introducing the council to better align and strengthen its Education and Certification programs. If you are interested in having a say in the governance of ICC National Certification Exams or the ICC Education program, apply now! **The application closing date is July 1.** [Click here for details and an application form.](#) ( Link: <http://www.iccsafe.org/Certification/PDC/Pages/default.aspx>)

### **SES 2014 World Standards Day Paper Competition**

The World Standards Day Paper Competition is co-sponsored by SES - The Society for Standards Professionals and the US World Standards Day Planning Committee in an effort to celebrate the global importance of standards and to honor individuals in the US standards community. This year's theme is "Standards Level the Playing Field." Papers must be submitted to SES by no later than Friday, August 8, 2014. For additional information regarding the 2014 World Standards Day Paper Competition, click here: <http://www.ses-standards.org/?130>.

### **Free IECC Compliance Guide Download Ends June 30**

Through a partnership arrangement between ICC, the Institute for Market Transformation (IMT) and the National Fenestration Rating Council (NFRC), and as part of our ongoing efforts to provide our Members with the latest tools and information, we want to offer ICC Members a free PDF download of the International Energy Conservation Code for Simple Commercial Buildings Compliance Guide. To take

advantage of this free ICC Members-only offer, click here to go to the Compliance Guide product page. Once there, simply log-in, add the Compliance Guide to your shopping cart and proceed to check out. This special offer expires on June 30, 2014, and is limited to one free download per ICC Member.

Click here to download from the store page: <http://shop.iccsafe.org/2009-international-energy-conservation-code-for-simple-commercial-building-compliance-guide-pdf-download.html>

### **ICC-ES Issues Clarification Bulletin to AC232**

ICC-ES recently became aware of possible confusion regarding the external interpretation of specific text and review criteria contained in AC232, Acceptance Criteria for Anchor Channels in Concrete Elements. As the entity responsible for the content and publication of AC232, and to assist code officials and other interested parties with the acceptance of evaluation reports for anchor channels to the requirements of AC232, ICC-ES offers the following clarifications found here: <http://www.icc-es.org/News/Notices/ES/AC232clarification.pdf>.