

International Code Council Government Relations Update November 2012

ICC Disaster Response Network Active in Wake of Sandy

In the wake of many disasters the definition of normal goes out the window. Once a disaster hits, there are many emergency procedures that must be put in place. It's only after these immediate needs have been taken care of that the focus on recovery and rebuilding can really begin. ICC will work with Governmental Members to identify a list of volunteers who are willing to help you with your post-disaster inspection efforts. Find out more about the Disaster Response Network and how you can help (or be helped) at: <http://www.iccsafe.org/safety/Pages/disaster-network.aspx>

ICC Launches New, Improved Online Store

The Code Council has worked with the Website Users Group, comprised of Members and nonmembers, to create and launch the new online store. The store is more intuitive, with intelligent search functions and filters to help Members and all customers find what they need. Other new tools to manage purchases and digital downloads provide a more user-friendly checkout process. So if you're looking to shop smarter, take a look to see for yourself at: <http://shop.iccsafe.org>

The 2012 Final Action Hearing Results Are In!

The following link contains a comprehensive list of final actions on the 2012 Proposed Changes to the ICC International Codes® considered at the Final Action Hearings held in conjunction with the Final Action Hearings in Portland, OR, Oct 22nd, 24th – 28th, 2012. The I-Codes considered for change in this 2012 cycle included the Group A Codes – IBC, IFGC, IMC, IPC, and IPSDC and the structural portions of the IEBC. Find out what made it into the 2015 codes at:

<http://www.iccsafe.org/cs/codes/Documents/2012-13cycle/Portland-Results.pdf>

Group B Code Change Cycle

You can impact the 2015 I-Codes. Prepare a code change to improve and enhance the codes. Proposals for code changes to the Group B set of codes are being accepted. Deadline for submittal is January 3, 2013. Group B includes the IFC, IRC, IWUIC, Performance Code, IEBC, IECC, IPMC, IZC and the new International Swimming Pool and Spa Code (ISPSC).

The entire Code Development Schedule for 2012 through 2014 can be viewed at:

<http://www.iccsafe.org/cs/codes/Documents/2012-2014Cycle/CD-Schedule.pdf>

Deadline: January 3, 2013

Pro Board Accredits ICC Fire Inspector Certifications

The National Board on Fire Service Professional Qualifications (Pro Board) Committee on Accreditation has accredited the ICC Fire Inspector I and Fire Inspector II certifications. The Pro Board accredits organizations that use the National Fire Protection Association's professional qualification standards. Its

purpose is to establish an internationally recognized means of acknowledging professional achievement in the fire service and related fields. Find out more at:

<http://www.iccsafe.org/newsroom/Pages/11092012-NR-ProBoard.aspx>

Code Council Annual Report Available

The 2012 Annual report includes the Treasurer's Report, Proposed Bylaw Changes and Proposed Member Resolutions and ICC Program Profiles and Highlights. Click here to view the entire report:

<http://www.iccsafe.org/newsroom/annual/Pages/AnnualReport.aspx?r=annualreport>

Schedule Your 2012 Chapter Education Benefit Now Before Time Runs Out!

This year, the International Code Council enhanced the Chapter training benefit. If you have not scheduled your benefit day for 2012, please act now. All qualifying Chapters are entitled to receive a live, training seminar at little or no cost to the Chapter. For details about the benefit, click here:

<http://www.iccsafe.org/Chapters/Pages/CEB.aspx>

ICC, NFPA Create Coalition to Advance Public Safety in the Built Environment

Formed June 5th, 2012, the Coalition for Current Safety Codes (CCSC) is aimed at advancing public safety by advocating for the adoption of current building, sustainability, electrical and life safety codes. This coalition, Co-Chaired by ICC and the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), will serve to create more public awareness and broader support for the adoption of the codes that protect the health and welfare of our society.

Simply stated, adopting and enforcing the latest codes and standards is the most efficient, and effective method of creating safe, sustainable, and affordable communities. This mission is good for people where they live, work, and play; and good for the economy.

To join the Coalition and to get involved, visit: <http://www.coalition4safety.org/involve.html>

ICC/NFPA/SFPE Partner to Publish Handbook of Smoke Control Engineering

The Handbook of Smoke Control Engineering extends the tradition of the comprehensive treatment of smoke control technology, including fundamental concepts, smoke control systems, and methods of analysis. Providing information needed for the analysis of design fires, including considerations of sprinklers, shielded fires, and transient fuels, this handbook is extremely useful for practicing engineers, architects, code officials, researchers, and students.

Following the success of Principles of Smoke Management in 2002, this new book addresses controls, fire and smoke control in transport tunnels, and full-scale fire testing. For those getting started with the computer models CONTAM and CFAST, there are simplified instructions with examples. This is the first smoke control book with climatic data so that users will have easy-to-use weather data specifically for smoke control design for locations in the U.S., Canada, and throughout the world.

Check out this great new resource at:

<http://www.iccsafe.org/Store/Pages/Product.aspx?id=94545#longdesc>

Provide Your Comments to the cdpACCESS Steering Committee

Have you provided your feedback on **cdp ACCESS** yet? Many of your fellow ICC colleagues have provided comments and suggestions over the past year to the **cdp ACCESS** Steering Committee. If you missed our presentations to the Membership in Dallas and Portland, one of the four webinars we did during the summer, or one of the many other presentations committee members have done, you have one more chance [to review them](#) and to have your voice heard ahead of the ICC Board of Directors' decision on next steps at their December meeting.

The Steering Committee plans to meet Nov. 30 to consider all of the specific feedback from Members on their [initial proposal](#). This proposal includes much greater online access to the entire process for all Code Council Members and an online governmental consensus vote for Governmental Members at the end of the process. Let us know what you think by emailing cdpACCESS@iccsafe.org by Nov. 21!

Provided below are resources to help you familiarize yourself and others with cdpAccess:

- 10/12 Report to the Board of Directors: <http://www.iccsafe.org/cs/cdpACCESS/Documents/Report-Board.pdf>
- 7/30/12 Update Report: http://www.iccsafe.org/cs/cdpACCESS/Documents/cdpACCESSReport_7302012.pdf
- 7/11/12 Webinar Slides: http://www.iccsafe.org/cs/cdpACCESS/Documents/cdpACCESS_Webinar-071112.pptx
- 7/11/12 Webinar Webcast: <http://youtu.be/sRY75900KQw>
- Overview Presentation: <http://www.iccsafe.org/cs/cdpACCESS/Documents/cdpACCESS-April2012.pps>