



NFRC UPDATE

NFRC Staff

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The National Fenestration Rating Council (NFRC) provides this twice-monthly newsletter to keep you informed of pending deadlines, volunteer opportunities, and NFRC news.

The NFRC office will be closed December 24, 25, 31, and January 1 in observance of the holidays.

Deadlines

January 2016

- January 29, 2016 -- Deadline for group chairs (task group, subcommittees) to request meeting time for the Spring Committee Week meeting.

February 2016

- February 10, 2016 -- Ballots due to NFRC staff liaisons.
- February 19, 2016 -- Spring Committee Week Ballot cycle opens.

March 2016

- March 10, 2016 -- Ballots close.

April 2016

- April 4-6, 2016 -- Spring Committee Week, Alexandria, Virginia. Registration and additional details will be available beginning in January.
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Changes to NFRC Certification Cycle Announced

On October 30, 2015, NFRC's Board of Directors approved extending the NFRC fenestration product certification cycle from four years to five years.

This change will take effect on March 1, 2016, allowing NFRC time to update and test its Certified Products Directory and Attachments Product Directory to accommodate the change.

After careful consideration by the Board, the five-year certification cycle will not be retroactive and will apply only to products certified or recertified on or after March 1, 2016. The rationale for this action is as follows:

- It will avoid creating unforeseen loopholes that may inadvertently undermine the integrity of our rating and certification program.
- It will prevent possible confusion among consumers, code officials, and design-build professionals, which in turn could result in significant time and associated costs for NFRC to manage.
- It is the most fair and equitable solution for all stakeholders.

For more information, please refer to the [bulletin distributed November 12, 2015](#).

NFRC Meeting Information

- **Dates through 2017**

The following dates have been set for the NFRC's Spring and Fall meetings through 2017. The dates have been vetted thoroughly, are published early, and were reported to affiliated industry contacts to avoid potential conflict. Please mark your calendars with the following meeting dates through the fall of 2017:

2016

Spring Committee Week: April 4-6, 2016

- * Schedule requests due to NFRC staff liaisons by January 29, 2016
- * Ballots will be due to NFRC staff liaisons by February 10, 2016
- * Registration and additional information will be available beginning January 2016

Fall Membership Meeting: October 3-6, 2016

2017

March 27-29, 2017
September 25-28, 2017

Member Tips

Thank you for another great year. We count on our members to keep NFRC moving forward. Keep an eye on this section for exciting new things in 2016.

-- [Jessica Finn](#), NFRC Meetings and Membership Manager

Volunteer Opportunities

- [Member Engagement Work Group](#) is looking for members to help welcome and orient new members and future NFRC leaders. If you are interested in volunteering for this group please email [Jessica Finn](#).
 - Volunteer opportunities are always listed on the [NFRC community](#).
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NFRC Now Accepting Online Payments

NFRC now offers you the ability to pay invoices online.

An email has been sent to your billing contact with login instructions for access to our [payment portal](#). Once you log in you will find all your open invoices. You can select one or more to pay by credit card.

This is a secure site, and it is PCI Compliant. It will not, however, process payments automatically.

NFRC is constantly striving to improve our customer experience. We hope you find our new Customer Services Portal beneficial and easy to use. If you have any questions, issues or feedback with this new portal, please feel free to contact us at accounting@nfr.org.

NFRC Billing Notice

Invoices for products, components and glazing listings are invoiced semiannually in April and September. The second billing was e-mailed by September 4, 2015. Questions regarding billing should be sent to accounting@nfr.org.

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