



NFRC UPDATE

NFRC Staff

March 4, 2016

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

Deadlines

March 2016

- March 7, 2016 -- Early bird Spring Committee Meeting registration closes. [Click HERE to register.](#)
- March 7, 2016 – The deadline to reserve your room in the NFRC room block. NFRC has a negotiated rate with the Hilton Old Town so make your reservation by March 7 to get the best rate. Call 703-647-2040 or [click HERE to reserve online.](#)
- **March 10, 2016 -- Spring Committee Meeting ballot cycle closes.** There are six ballots under consideration in this cycle, which may be accessed from the [main ballot page HERE](#) or via the committee links below:
 - [Research and Technology Committee](#) -- 1 ballot
 - [Technical Committee](#) -- 4 ballots
 - [Ratings Committee](#) -- 1 ballot
- March 11, 2016 -- CMA ACE training scheduled 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. This training session is for those seeking approval to become an NFRC Approved Calculation Entity (ACE). Additional information, including cost and registration, can be found [HERE](#).

April 2016

- April 4-6, 2016 -- Spring Committee Week, Alexandria, Virginia. [Click HERE for more information and to register.](#)

June 2016

- June 7-10, 2016 -- Certified Simulator Workshop. This workshop is for those seeking certification for computer modeling in accordance with NFRC procedures for determining fenestration product U-factors, Solar Heat Gain Coefficients (SHGC), Visible Transmittance (VT), and Condensation Resistance, utilizing WINDOW and THERM computer programs. Simulation of fenestration products with shading systems (complex glazings) is included in the training.

This workshop requires knowledge of WINDOW and THERM but you do not have to be proficient. The training is an in-depth review of these programs by solving interactive problems, as well as a review of the NFRC accredited laboratory

and certified simulator requirements. Training materials will be provided on a USB Drive on the workshop date.

[Click HERE to register for this workshop.](#)

NFRC 5-Year Certification Cycle

As of February 29, 2016, implementation of the NFRC 700-2016, 5-year certification cycle has begun. NFRC Participants now obtain five-years for new and recertified product lines in the NFRC Certified Products Directory.

Participants may download the [NFRC 700-2016](#) to read the full requirements of initial and recertification expirations of product lines. Additional tools are included on the [CPD Info Page](#), including explanation of expiration calculations as described on the [CPD Info FAQ](#), the [CPD Participant User Manual](#) to use the CPD to its full potential, and other helpful manuals.

See the announcement in the [NFRC Bulletin](#).

For more information, please contact [Scott Hanlon](#) at 240-821-9519 or [Sherri Wendt](#) at 240-821-9516.

NFRC Staff News

NFRC is please to announce two new staff members:

- Kristen Pate recently joined NFRC as Executive Assistant, bringing with her extensive experience in administrative support and customer relations. She holds a B.A. in sociology from the University of Maryland.
 - John D'Anna also joined the NFRC staff in February, as Business Development Manager. John has nearly 15 years of experience within the supply chain and business development sector in both foreign and domestic markets. He was part of a team that successfully patented two products and processes relating to supply chain management at Masco Cabinetry.
 - NFRC staff recognize the value in volunteering and they are inspired by the time and attention provided by our membership. Many on staff also volunteer their time to organizations and causes they deem worthy. For example:
 - New staff member John D'Anna volunteers for Habitat for Humanity and is a member of Green Garage in Detroit, an organization that educates about the benefits of green building construction practices in city and state planning.
 - NFRC CEO Deb Callahan, alumna of Wells College, was named to the Wells College Sustainability Advisory Committee, which is in place to advise the college president on the continuing efforts to integrate sustainability and practice and assure alignment between sustainability planning and institutional planning.
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- **NFRC Meeting Information**
 - **Dates through 2017**
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- 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 Meeting: April 4-5, 2016*
 - * [Registration and additional information, including hotel links, are available HERE.](#)
 - *Fall Membership Meeting: October 3-6, 2016*
 - **2017**
 - Spring Committee Week -- March 27-29, 2017
 - Fall Membership Meeting -- September 25-28, 2017
 - **Member Tips**
 - Congratulations to our member spotlight, Jeff Baker. As the current chair of the board Jeff has helped lead NFRC through a year of change. Thank you Jeff for all that you do. [Click here to read about Jeff's involvement.](#)
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 - Do you know someone who should be the next NFRC member spotlight? [Nominate them here.](#)
 - -- [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 Billing Notice**
- Invoices for the 2016 Annual Participation Fees were emailed on January 8, 2016.
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- NFRC offers the ability to pay invoices online. Once logged in, you will see all of the open invoices. This is a secure site and it is PCI Compliant. It will not process payments automatically. If you chose to pay by credit card, click here: [PAYMENT PORTAL](#).
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- If you have any questions regarding billing or the new portal, please contact us at accounting@nfr.org.
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