



# NFRC UPDATE

May 26, 2017

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

## Calendar and Deadlines

### May 2017

- May 25-30, 2017 -- **CMAS**T will be down for routine maintenance from **5:00 p.m. (EDT) until 8:00 a.m. (EDT) on Tuesday.**
- May 28, 2017 -- The ANS Standards Committee approved a second public comment period to add a missed change to the NFRC 100-207 document; the public comment period will run from April 28 - May 28, 2017. The change under review applies to the Component Modeling Approach (CMA) for Non-residential Section 5.9.3.1.3.D. [The change may be viewed HERE.](#)

### June 2017

- June 21, 2017 -- Understanding NFRC Documents webinar at 2:00 p.m. (EDT). During this hour long session attendees will get a brief background of NFRC and learn how each of the documents work together to achieve certification. [More information may be found here.](#)

### July 2017

- July 21, 2017 -- Schedule requests for the Fall 2017 Membership Meeting are due to staff liaisons.
- July 26, 2017 -- Using the Certified Products Directory (CPD) webinar at 2:00 p.m. (EDT). This 30 minute session will show you how to navigate the CPD to help manufacturers in their day-to-day jobs by monitoring expiration dates, viewing or exporting entire product lines, and managing schedules and contact information. [More information may be found here.](#)

### August 2017

- August 2, 2017 -- Ballots for the Fall 2017 ballot cycle are due to NFRC staff liaisons.
- August 11, 2017 -- Fall 2017 ballot cycle opens.
- August 23, 2017 -- NFRC and the Independent Verification Program (IVP) Webinar at 2:00 p.m. (EDT). This 30 minute session will walk you through the steps of becoming ENERGY STAR® certified, and includes enrolling in the program, selecting your ENERGY STAR certified product lines and the testing process. [More information may be found here.](#)
- August 31, 2017 -- Fall 2017 ballot cycle closes.

### September 2017

- September 25-28, 2017 -- NFRC Fall Membership Meeting, San Diego, CA. Details and registration will be available this summer.
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## NFRC Board of Directors Election

All NFRC Board members must be active members or have a significant relationship/representation with an active member. When up for re-election or vacated, seats on the board will be described as either “specified” or “unspecified.” This refers to the required representation needed, per NFRC’s By-laws, to ensure representation of industry and public interest groups.

These broad categories are:

1. Fenestration Industry Category
2. General Interest Category
3. Laboratory Category

For this election cycle, seats for the Fenestration Industry Category (2) and the General Interest Category (2) will be up for a vote by membership. Of these seats, two are “unspecified” so that anyone from that broad category may run for that seat; the remaining two seats require representation from specific factions within the industry – **Fenestration Industry, Residential, and General Interest, Federal, State or local government energy or building code official.**

This month we are highlighting the two general interest category seats, which are explained below. The unspecified nominee can be from any of the categories; the specified nominee must be from the category highlighted below.

**General Interest Category.** To make sure that NFRC’s work ultimately benefits the general public as intended, six of the NFRC Board seats are designated for “General Interest.” The specified representation in this category are the three seats guaranteed for **1) federal, state, or local government energy or building code office, 2) a not-for-profit institution of research or higher education, and 3) a not-for-profit consumer, environmental, or energy efficiency organization.**

To nominate someone for this category, [click here.](#)

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## Prospective Leaders Network (PLN) Summer Series

NFRC is excited to announce its first ever PLN Summer Series

- Understanding NFRC Documents – June 21, 2017 2:00 p.m. (EDT)
- Using the Certified Products Directory (CPD) – July 26, 2017 2:00 p.m. (EDT)
- NFRC and the Independent Verification Program (IVP) – August 23, 2017 2:00 p.m. (EDT)

For more information and to register, [click here.](#)

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## NFRC Staff Spotlight

Steve Urich, Senior Manager, Programs, joined NFRC in August 2016 after spending 20+ years in the fenestration industry. He began his career as a test technician for

Architectural Testing, Inc. in York, PA, eventually becoming the Manager of the structural test wall. After a short time spent working for a window manufacturer, he spent nine years working for Keystone Certifications, including five years as an IA In-Responsible-Charge. Steve has a BS degree in Mechanical Engineering and is a licensed Professional Engineer in three states.

Contact Steve (at 240-821-9514 or [surich@nfrfc.org](mailto:surich@nfrfc.org)) with any questions regarding the residential and commercial programs, the IGDB, and thermophysical properties (NFRC 101).

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## **NFRC Meeting Information**

### **Dates through 2018**

The following dates have been set for the NFRC's Spring and Fall meetings through 2018. 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 2018:

#### **2017**

- Fall Membership Meeting -- September 25-28, 2017  
San Diego, California

#### **2018\***

- Spring Committee Meeting -- March 19-21, 2018  
St. Louis, Missouri
  - Fall Membership Meeting -- October 8-11, 2018  
Albuquerque, New Mexico
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## **Member Tips**

There will be four seats up for election in 2017 to serve on the 2018 Board of Directors (BoD). In an effort to add diversity to the BoD and encourage new members to consider serving, we will be providing information on the NFRC BoD makeup, expectations for those serving, and a call for volunteers in the next few months.

Voting on ballots and for members of the NFRC BoD is a primary benefit of membership. We hope everyone will take advantage of their membership and consider running, nominating a colleague, or voting on the Board.

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

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## **Volunteer Opportunities**

- The [ANS Standards Committee](#) is seeking members, particularly in the User and General Interest categories. This group is responsible for the adoption and revisions to ANSI/NFRC 100, ANSI/NFRC 200, and ANSI/NFRC 400, and to ensure the ANSI consensus process is followed. Additional information (including definitions of the

member categories) and the applications for the committee may be found on the group page linked or you may contact [Robin Merrifield](#) at 240-821-9513.

Volunteer opportunities are always listed on the [NFRC community](#).

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### **NFRC Billing Information**

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 choose to pay by credit card, click here: [PAYMENT PORTAL](#).

Information on the NFRC billing and invoices may be found in a brief explanatory video, [located HERE](#).

If you have any questions regarding billing or the new portal, please contact us at [accounting@nfr.org](mailto:accounting@nfr.org).

NFRC envisions a future where every window, door, and skylight purchase decision is made using the NFRC label to evaluate energy performance.

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