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National Fireproofing Contractors Association

WHAT'S COMING UP...

NFCA's Webinar Series - Don't miss NFCA's webinars. They are always packed with information, and our Q&A sessions can go on for almost as long as the presentations--great real time interaction.

NFCA Webinar -October 11, 2022 (Tuesday): 10:00 am - 11:00am CDT
TOPIC: *Overview of UL Guide Information on Fire-Resistance. Main focus-UL 263 and ULC-S-101 Standards.*



Join NFCA's Bill McHugh, Rich Walke and Kevin Hyland, Principal Engineer - Fire Resistance and Containment, with UL who will provide a short overview of what's in the UL Guide Information on Fire-Resistance for both the UL 263 and ULC-S-101 Standards. We'll cover key points, that affect designers, code officials, inspection agencies and contractors. You won't want to miss this overview of the key elements in these important documents.

Mark Your Calendars now for
November 15 1:00 pm *NFCA Action Updates on the 2024 ICC Code Development Process, NFCA & UL CAP Programs and more!*

December 13 1:00 pm *NFCA 2022 Wrap Up - What has NFCA done in '22? LOTS! We'll provide detail updates.*

November 9-11, 2022 IFRM & SFRM EDUCATION & EXAMS

Isn't it time for your company want to get SFRM and/or IFRM Accredited? NFCA offers this Virtual option only twice a year. Don't wait. For detailed agenda click [HERE](#). or **Register NOW!**

Do you have a HAFK yet? The **NFCA Handbook of Fireproofing Knowledge (HAFK)** is an important resource tool for Fireproofing Contractors and Fireproofing Inspection agencies. It's the study guide for the NFCA's SFRM & IFRM Fireproofing Exams. [CLICK HERE TO ORDER NOW](#)

SAVE THE DATE! NFCA's Week of Learning will be March 28-31, 2023. Details will be posted on the website early October.

DID YOU KNOW...

Monokote Fireproofing - Saint Gobain's acquisition of GCP Applied Technologies closed Sept. 27. From our perspective, it's refreshing to see a construction products company acquire a NFCA Member such as GCP.

According to US OSHA, Of the 2,654,700 total recordable injury cases, there were 211,640 cases involving falls, slips and trips in 2020. Fatal injuries from falls, slips and trips were 805. Safety is a big deal in all industries, including fireproofing. Working at heights, handling pumps that have hoses under

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UPDATES:

NFCA's Technical Code Committee participated at the International Code Council Code Development Hearings? NFCA worked with industry leaders to disapprove adding Performance Based Fire Design to the IBC 2024's Chapter 16, Structural. NFCA's Team of Bill McHugh, Rich Walke and Doug Evans (both Consultants to NFCA), also worked to make sure Fire-Resistance is a key component of the new term 'Fire Safety' in Chapter 1. Don't miss NFCA's webinar on the 2024 IBC Code Development process to hear about this active hearing.

NFCA's Board of Directors met September 9 at an in person meeting for the first time since 2019. It was great to be part of the environment – LIVE - that creates a productive Board of Directors. Your NFCA Board did well during COVID times, but is even more productive when meeting face to face. Thank the **board members** for their service to the industry. Interested in becoming a Board Member? Email bill@NFCA-online.org or give us a call.

NFCA & Project Management – NFCA's Technical Education Committee's Project Management Task group has been conversing about how a fireproofing specific program can benefit NFCA Fireproofing Contractor Members. There's a lot to do with this project. It's in capable hands with Task Group Chairs Carl Fernald and Mathew Stephenson.

IFRM Finish Best Practice - NFCA has heard the call for terminology and consistency in applied Intumescent Fire-Resistive Material (IFRM) finish appearance. Your NFCA Board assigned the topic to the Technical Education – Issues Task Group. NFCA will be reaching out to contractors and manufacturers to research this topic. Looking forward to what this group recommends. Want to get involved? Email us at info@NFCA-online.org.

SAFETY SECTION:



Concerned about safety at jobsites? Check out NFCA's Safety Handbook. It has some great safety tips – specific to fireproofing – that can be used in projects worldwide. Want to learn about safety data and statistics? Visit <https://www.bls.gov/iif/> to see the Injuries, Illnesses and Fatalities reports.

CCOHS UPDATED Orientation Course – The Canadian Center for Occupational Health and Safety (CCOHS) has updated their new worker safety orientation course. For \$49CAD, an eCourse is offered, priced by the seat/person. Multi seat licenses reduce costs. <https://www.ccohs.ca/products/courses/orientation/>

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Welcome the following New NFCA Contractor Members:

- Spray Foam Kings

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