NFCA Contractor Accreditation Program DRI Continuing Education Requirement

As described in the Continuing Education Section 3.5, of the NFCA Contractor Accreditation Program, a DRI is required to acquire at least ten (10) hours of continuing educational units (CEU’s) every year or a total of thirty (30) CEU’s in three years. One hour of training is equal to one CEU.

As an alternative to obtaining the CEU's noted above, the DRI shall be permitted to take a written examination every three (3) years. The required examination(s) and score(s) needed to maintain accredited recognition shall be as shown in Section 3.3.1

Continuing Education Opportunities

CEU’s can be obtained by attending NFCA’s Annual Fireproofing Educational Conference and other NFCA educational opportunities.

CEU’s may also be obtained by attending industry approved educational training or educational seminars, where CEU’s are offered, or by attending educational programs offered by accredited colleges, universities and other providers of adult education.

Such training or seminars shall deal with topics such as life safety, loss prevention, building codes and other construction related topics as listed by the NFCA. CEU's may also be obtained through attendance at manufacturers’ educational programs that have been reviewed and found acceptable by the NFCA.

In addition to attending the NFCA Annual Fireproofing Conference and other NFCA Educational opportunities, the following organizations may also provide opportunities to earn CEU’s. Some have links to local chapters in your area who may provide local options.

American Institute of Architects – AIA.org  
Construction Specifications Canada – CSC-DCC.ca  
Construction Specifications Institute – CSinet.org  
International Code Council – ICCsafe.org  
The National Fire Protection Association – NFPA.org  
National Research Council of Canada - NRC-CNRC.gc.ca  
Occupational Health and Safety Administration – OSHA.gov  
Royal Architects Institute of Canada – RAIC.org  
Other Fire Resistance Associations

If you need assistance in acquiring your necessary CEU’s please contact NFCA at 708-236-3411.