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FIC '19 - Now Open for Registration

Registration is **NOW OPEN** for **FIC '19**, the **FCIA Firestop Industry Conference & Trade Show**, heading to the **Trump National Doral Miami** in Miami, FL this **November 5-8**.

FIC '19 is the only Conference & Trade Show in North America dedicated to the Firestop & Effective Compartmentation industry. The event features:

- the FCIA Education for the Firestop Exams education sessions;
- the **FM & UL/ULC Firestop Exams**;
- **three-days of Technical and Business Development education**;
- a variety of Networking opportunities;
- **the Firestop Industry Trade Show**;
- the **FCIA Memorial Golf Tournament**;
- and so much more!

Plus, this November we celebrate 20 years of progress as an Association and industry with FCIA's 20th Anniversary Celebration. All this and a showstopper location promise to deliver an unforgettable event you won't want to miss.

Early Registration discounts available until October 7.

[REGISTER TODAY](#)




[Trump National Doral Miami](#)

FCIA Rate: \$184 USD/night*
Hotel Deadline: October 7

[BOOK ONLINE](#) or call **305.592.2000** and mention *group code 'FCIA'* to receive group rates.

*Rates are subject to availability and do not include applicable taxes and fees.

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Firestop Education in Canada

Seven (7) weeks until the [FCIA Firestop & Effective Compartmentation 'DIIM' Symposium Canada](#) opens in **Montreal, QC** at the [Hotel Omni Mont-Royal](#).

The **September 25** event is a [full-day educational Symposium](#) focused on the ['DIIM' of Firestopping](#) as related to the Firestop industry in Canada. Firestop Contractors looking to pursue third-party accreditation under the [ULC Qualified Firestop Contractor Program](#) and Special Inspection Agencies pursuing [IAS AC 291 Accreditation](#) are welcome to attend the [half-day of education for the ULC Firestop Exam](#) and the [ULC Firestop Exam](#) on **September 26**.

The event [Agenda](#) includes sessions on:

- 'NBC/NFC Fire-Resistance & Fire Separations Code Requirements';
- 'National Research Council of Canada &

Firestopping, etc.:'

- 'Fire Dampers 101 - Back to Basics - Life-Safety Dampers';
- 'Swinging Fire Doors 101';
- 'Perimeter Fire-Containment Systems - Today and Tomorrow';
- 'FCIA's 'DIIM': Firestop 101, An Executive Summary & FCIA Recommended Professional Practice - Labeling';
- as well as a small [Technical Exhibition](#).

[Visit us online](#) to learn more and to [register](#).

Note: Building Code Officials, Fire Marshals, Architects/Specifiers/Engineers at Design Firms, and Facility Management Personnel at Health Care or Educational Facilities are invited to attend the 'DIIM' Symposium Canada for FREE. Inquire at info@FCIA.org to verify qualification for this offer.



**FCIA Rates at
[Hotel Omni Mont-Royal](#)
Expire August 26.**

FCIA Rate: \$239 CAD/night*

[BOOK ONLINE](#) or call 514.284.1110 and mention *group code "DIIM' Canadian Symposium 2019'* to receive the group rate.

FREE FCIA Firestop Manual of Practice

Did you know that the [FCIA's Firestop Manual of Practice \(MOP\)](#) is available to **Architects/Specifiers with Design Firms, Building Code Officials and Fire Marshals for FREE**? Does your firm have key influencers that should have the MOP? Interested qualified individuals should email cathy@FCIA.org with their complete business information, including name, company, position, address,

contact numbers and email address, to verify eligibility and receive an Electronic PDF version of the industry's resource guide.

Qualified individuals may also qualify for a complimentary subscription to [Life Safety Digest, the Magazine of Effective Compartmentation and Fire-Resistance](#).

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FCIA's Elevator Pitch

Throughout the year, FCIA can be found at a multitude of industry Exhibitions and Trade Shows. FCIA leadership and Marketing Committee members staff the Association's booth at these important events. The focus at the booth is always on educating attendees on the importance of the ['DIIM' of Firestopping](#) and how using FCIA Members throughout the process ensures improved fire- and life-safety and enhances public safety and property protection.

This summer, FCIA was represented at both the [ASHE](#) and [NASFM Annual Conferences](#). While there, FCIA representatives reinforced the 'DIIM' message: proper 'D'esign (good specs); followed by 'I'nstallation by FCIA Member, FM 4991 Approved/UL/ULC Qualified Firestop Contractors; then, 'I'nspection by IAS AC 291 Accredited, competent Inspection Agencies/Personnel; and, finally, installed Systems 'M'aintained by FCIA Members in accordance with the International Fire Code, NFPA 1, and NFPA 101.

At these two conferences – ASHE & NASFM – FCIA provided a handout that focused on the 'Inventory of Fire-Resistance/Firestopping'. The piece reinforced the fact that it's the SYSTEM AND PRODUCTS that get ratings, not just the product. Through continuous outreach to the groups who are responsible for designing, specifying, inspecting and maintaining installed Firestop systems, FCIA will persist in advocating to build the industry and see worldwide acceptance and acknowledgement of the value and importance of the Specialty FCIA Member Firestop Contractor concept.

FCIA at ASHE

FCIA's Vice President, [Ben Urcavich](#) ([Performance Firestop, Inc.](#)), Marketing Committee Member, [Aideen Doneski](#) ([Gleeson Powers, Inc.](#)), and Executive Director, [Bill McHugh](#), had an active booth at the [American Society for Healthcare Engineering \(ASHE\) Annual Conference](#). The event saw many Health Care Facilities Directors and personnel stopping by to learn about the ['DIIM' of Firestopping](#) and more.

In fact, the phrase 'Inventory of fire-resistance' came from our friends at ASHE. They 'inventory' everything from power strips to x-ray machines, and that term worked best for all at ICC's Fire Code Hearings when FCIA presented the concept for the [2018 International Fire Code](#).



FCIA at NASFM Conference

FCIA's booth at the [National Association of State Fire Marshals \(NASFM\) Annual Conference](#) in Annapolis, MD, was well attended. We met with many State Fire Marshals from throughout the USA. We even ran into VJ Bella, retired Louisiana State Fire Marshal who spoke to FCIA about the importance of fire-resistance in 2002. It's amazing how FCIA's friends span generations. Thanks Ben Urcavich, FCIA Vice President, for making the trip to work the booth with Bill McHugh.

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FCIA Webinars

Each month, we venture into fire-resistance-rated and smoke-resistant assembly subject matter with the [FCIA FREE Educational Webinar Series](#). PDFs of the monthly presentations are [available online](#). FCIA Members get access to recordings in the [Members Only](#) section. Not an FCIA Member? [Join FCIA](#) to get access to the recordings.

This month, FCIA presents TWO webinar programs: one general session and one FCIA Contractor and Special Inspection Agency ONLY program.

[Learn more](#)

'FCIA Education for the Firestop Exams'

Wednesday, August 28

10:00 am CDT

FCIA CONTRACTOR & SPECIAL INSPECTION
AGENCY MEMBERS ONLY

[REGISTER TODAY](#)

'Construction Without Oversight' with

Douglas H. Evans, P.E.

Thursday, August 29

10:00 am CDT

[REGISTER TODAY](#)



FCIA & Life Safety Digest Making Rounds

Trade Shows around the world give FCIA an opportunity to spread the word of the **'DIIM' of Firestopping** & Effective Compartmentation to interested professionals worldwide. Through participation at these events and premier placement of [Life Safety Digest](#), FCIA and our Members are exposed to decision-makers and key players in the industry. Here is a look at some of what's coming up for FCIA...

FCIA & Life Safety Digest Partner with ICC Building Safety & Design Expo

The [Building Safety & Design Expo](#) is an educational expo for building safety and design professionals.

This event, heading to **Las Vegas** this **October 20-21**, is where building safety and design professionals go to learn about the latest products and services needed to keep buildings safe, and meet and maintain compliance

Please join us at the



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with accepted codes and standards. No place else do those responsible for ensuring code compliance as well as those that specify, design and build our communities come together in one convenient location!

Stop by the FCIA booth while there!

And More...

Look for FCIA and [Life Safety Digest](#) at these other industry events around North America: [CHES Annual Conference, September 22-24](#) in **Saskatoon, SK**; [CONSTRUCT, October 9-11](#) in **National Harbor, MD**; and the [IFMA World Workplace, October 16-18](#) in **Phoenix, AZ**.

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FCIA Welcomes New Members

FCIA works hard to spread the word of the **'DIIM' of Firestopping** around the world, encouraging all interested Contractors, Consultant Firms, Associates, Manufacturers, Manufacturer Rep Firms and more to become involved to grow the industry's call for better Fire and Life Safety.

FCIA proudly welcomes new members, and **we thank them for their support and commitment to the Firestop industry.**

Thank you to all current members, as well, for helping to grow FCIA and the Specialty Firestop trade, resulting in improved Fire- and Life-Safety Systems.

FCIA New Friend of FCIA Members

- Town of Grimsby - Grimsby, ON

FCIA Members: Do you have more than one Branch location? Make it easier to be found worldwide with a 'Branch Membership and Listing' at www.FCIA.org. Questions? Email cathy@fcia.org and we'll fill you in.



Calling All Super Projects!

FCIA and [Life Safety Digest](#) are looking for Project Profiles for inclusion in future issues of the quarterly publication. Pieces should include job scope, challenges and how they were overcome. [Contact FCIA Staff](#) for more information.



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