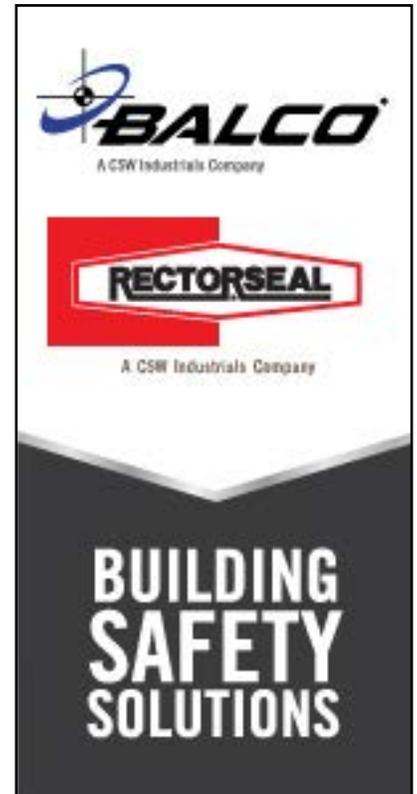


Upcoming Events

August 19	FCIA Webinar
August 24-25	FCIA Board Meeting
September 16	FCIA Webinar
September 30- October 2	FCIA Virtual Canadian Symposium



FIC '20 - SAVE THE DATE

FCIA Members, be sure to Save the Date for FIC '20, the FCIA Firestop Industry Conference & Trade Show.

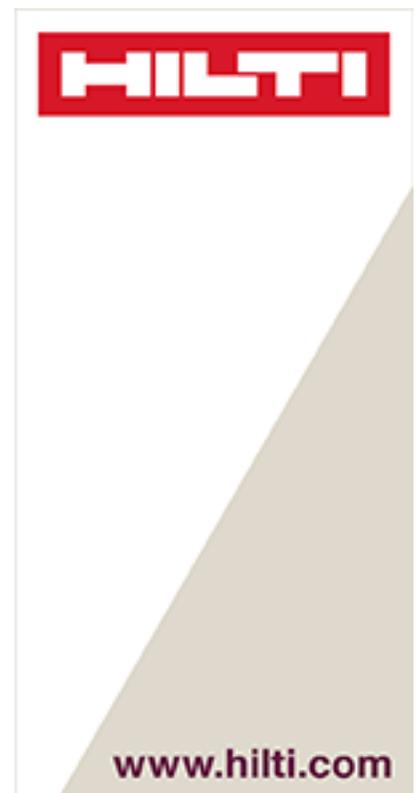
This year's event takes place October 27-30, 2020 and features an agenda focused on critical elements of Barrier Management. Attend sessions on:

- Existing Building Requirements for Barrier Management
- Fire and Smoke Dampers
- Fire-Resistance-Rated Rolling Doors
- Fire-Resistance-Rated Glazing
- Photoluminescent Markings
- Gypsum Wallboard
- What to Expect from a Third-Party Inspection
- And More



Although the event is longer slated to be in San Diego, CA, know that FCIA leadership is actively monitoring the COVID-19 situation and will update the membership with location details as we know more.

Stay tuned to www.FCIA.org and your email for the most up-to-date information regarding FIC '20.



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BARRIER MANAGEMENT SERVICES ADD VALUE TO FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY

Attention FCIA Members: Did you know that building owners and managers are required by the International Fire Code, NFPA 101, NFPA 1, the National Fire Code of Canada, UAE Fire and Life Safety Code, and other codes to maintain all types of fire-resistance-rated and smoke-resistant assemblies for the building's life cycle?

Did you also know that the International Fire Code requires annual visual inspection and recordkeeping of all fire-resistance-rated assemblies and features, including firestopping? Or that it requires a fire-resistance-rated and smoke-resistant inventory of these assemblies and features?

Did you know you can now add Barrier Management Services categories to your membership? Supplementing your FCIA membership with Barrier Management Services categories lists your company as a [Barrier Management Services Provider](#) on www.FCIA.org, which helps building owners and managers find and identify your company as a go-to company for barrier management services?

The FCIA Barrier Management Service Provider lists provide building owners and managers a one-stop-shop for finding service providers to repair or replace firestopping and fire-resistance-rated assemblies to meet fire code requirements. FCIA Members can further

distinguish their companies as Barrier Management experts by enhancing their membership with designation at FCIA.org's [Barrier Management Services pages](#) in the following categories:

- [Firestop Systems](#)
- [Fire and Smoke Dampers](#)
- [Fire-Rated Rolling & Swinging Doors](#)
- [Fire-Resistance-Rated Glazing](#)
- [Barrier Repairs](#)
- [Barrier Surveys](#)
- [Barrier Management Software](#)
- and [SFRM & IFRM Fireproofing](#)

All FCIA Member Specialty Firestop Installation Contractors receive a FREE listing on the [Firestop Systems Barrier Management Services list](#).

For an additional \$195, FCIA Members can opt-in to specific Barrier Management Service Provider lists and increase their exposure to building owners and managers, facility personnel, and more.

[Joining FCIA](#) is the first step to establishing your company as an expert in the firestopping field. Identifying your company as a service provider for the various Barrier Management Services sections is the second step to setting your company apart as an expert in these critical elements of Barrier Management.

To learn more about how to position your company as a Barrier Management Service provider, [contact FCIA Staff today](#).

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FCIA MEMBERS: WE NEED YOUR HELP!

FCIA Members: Do you know of the companies in your area that are doing business as Specialty Firestop Installation Contractors and Special Inspection Agencies?

FCIA's voice gets heard more the larger the association grows. To further develop fire and life safety through firestopping and reinforce the importance of using Specialty Firestop Installation Contractors and Special Inspection Agencies for this critical work, we need your help. If you know of companies that should be members

but aren't, help us convince them to [join FCIA](#).

Growing the membership helps ALL Specialty Firestop Installation Contractors and Special Inspection Agencies, Manufacturers, Associates, and of course, those who occupy buildings where fire and life safety firestopping has been installed properly.

Help us help the industry. [Email FCIA Staff](#) with a company name and contact. We will reach out for FCIA membership.

FCIA & THE ICC FCAC'S

The 2024 International Code Council's Code Development Processes are starting up. Code proposals for the 2024 Codes are due in January 2021.

In addition to the normal code development cycle, the ICC Board of Directors appointed several Code Action Committees (CAC's) to study issues that have trouble being resolved in two-minute sound bites at the code hearings. The CAC's provide teleconferences to working groups where interested parties participate in a forum to review issues, possible proposals, and much more.

FCIA has been participating in the Fire Code Action Committee (FCAC) working groups for several code cycles. The most recent discussion was the Chapter 7 working group discussions that cover a wide range of issues. Topics include T-Ratings, where fire-resistance-rated joint systems are required, clarification of what the code means by fire walls, standards for doors, fire-partition language, vertical openings, and much more. FCIA friends – Ed Goldhammer (Hilti), Rich Walke (FCIA), Bill Koffel (Koffel Associates), and others – participate and work on issues.

FCIA & FIRESTOP SYSTEM LABELS AT ASTM

FCIA created a Recommended Professional Practice for 'Identification Systems', which included labeling of installed firestop systems. The RPP is in the FCIA.org [Members Only](#) section for use by members.

At the last International Code Council Building Code Development Cycle, FCIA submitted a proposal to require identification systems for firestopping. That proposal was disapproved. To have a better chance at passing in the next cycle, FCIA's [Standards Committee](#) is leading a task group at ASTM to develop a Standard that can be submitted.

Watch for more as this develops.

**** FCIA Members, make sure to check out the [FCIA.org](#), including your company listing. If there are updates required, contact [FCIA staff](#) with your requested changes. ****

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FCIA & NEW STANDARDS

Over the past few months, you've likely seen webinars from many on the new M-Movement Ratings for firestopping, and much more. The M-Rating discussion was started by FCIA's Board of Directors over a decade ago. At that time, the Board requested that firestop test standards reflect – as close as a laboratory environment can do – what actually happens with the firestop system when used in actual buildings.

The Board's objective was to challenge the industry to develop products for better fire and life safety in buildings. And, the industry responded. Manufacturers, test laboratories, consultants, contractors, and others worked through the ASTM Standards Development Process to make things better.

Movement, exposure to elements, and more were discussed at ASTM to build better fire and life safety firestop systems for protecting breaches in fire-resistance-rated assemblies. These firestop systems were created for penetrating items, separation of adjacent spaces (joints), and building perimeter joint areas.

FCIA'S BOARD & COMMITTEES MEET - A LOT

While some are working from home and others from offices – safely separated – FCIA's [Board of Directors](#), [Committees](#), and Staff continues to meet via GoToMeeting and conference calls to keep a watchful eye on the industry and the Association's programs and financial well-being.

Conference calls have been monthly, sometimes more often, to discuss key issues affecting the industry and Association. The Virtual Committee meetings in April resulted in some great plans. We're working on those plans now and well into the future. Stay tuned to [FCIA.org](#) for news and updates on everything going on with your Association.



'Firestopping and Existing Buildings'

Wednesday, August 19
10:00 am CDT

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FCIA & THE WORLD

The FCIA's founding Steering Committee debated putting the 'International' in the Firestop Contractors International Association name. Since then, we've built relationships with people and organizations worldwide to learn more – and provide value to members and others – worldwide.

In 2004, FCIA's first conference took place in Toronto, Ontario, Canada. We met in Montreal in 2006, Dubai and other areas of the Middle East in 2008, and we've continued travelling around the globe with FCIA events and advocacy for the firestop industry up until the recent pandemic.

We're pleased to have participated in or hosted events the Middle East, Columbia, South America, Canada, Germany, the UK, Ireland, and many other countries. We're looking forward to a time when we can travel widely again and work towards better fire and life safety through firestopping and fire-resistance-rated assemblies as our common language.

FCIA WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS

FCIA works hard to spread the word of the **'DIIM' of Firestopping** around the world, encouraging all interested Specialty Firestop Installation Contractors, Special Inspection Agencies, Associates, Manufacturers, 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.



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FCIA New Contractor Branch Members

- Firestop Southwest, Utah Branch - Salt Lake City, UT

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.

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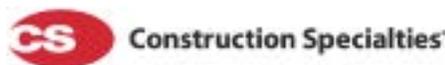
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