

AHJ & FACILITY MANAGER

Presentations on

ANNUAL FIRE DOOR INSPECTIONS

he Foundation's mission is to promote secure and safe openings that enhance life safety through awareness and education to the building design, code authority, and facility management communities, key stakeholders in the construction community.

A primary objective within this mission is to support the annual fire/egress door inspection initiative by creating awareness and education about this important update to the NFPA 80 and 101 standards, and their inclusion in the International Building Code and International Fire Code.

These presentations are designed to help stakeholders understand the code implications and complexity of nonresidential door and hardware products and applications, and the critical role they play in achieving and maintaining the balance between life safety and security.

The NFPA 80 Standard for Fire Rated Doors and Other Opening Protectives requires documented inspections for fire-rated door assemblies on an annual basis. It also requires the inspections and testing of door assemblies to be performed by individuals who are knowledgeable of the operating components of the fire and egress door assemblies.

All of the model building codes reference NFPA 80 as the de facto standard for the installation and maintenance of fire-rated door assemblies. Two additional codes of equal importance are the ICC's International Fire Code (IFC) and NFPA's Uniform Fire Code (NFPA 1). These latter codes are used frequently for inspections of existing buildings and structures. The NFPA 101 Life Safety Code also applies to the installation of fire-rated door assemblies and annual inspection, and relates as well.

Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ) Awareness Presentation:

Life safety is of utmost importance and the role doors and hardware play is of equal significance. Upon completion of this *two-hour* presentation, AHJ's will better understand these inspection requirements, as well as the basic operation and features of fire and egress doors, in order to verify inspection reports for compliance with code requirements.

Facility Manager (FMG) Education Session:

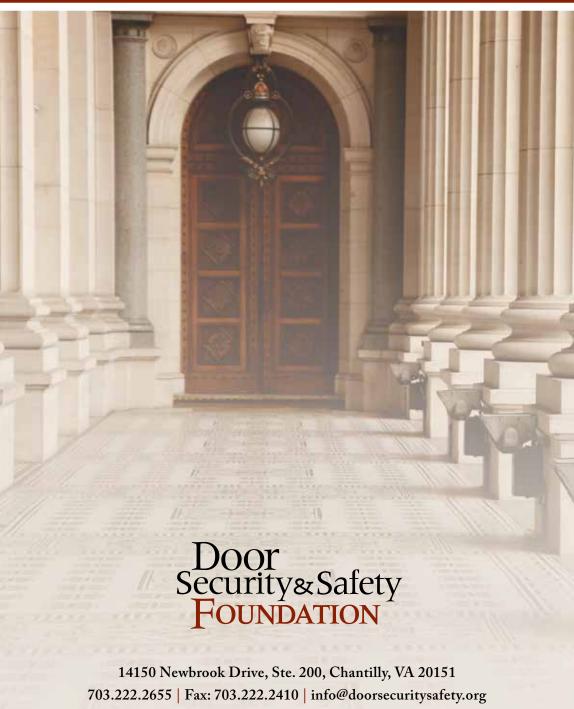
Life safety through proper fire and smoke containment are critical issues and doors and hardware are essential elements demanding their utmost attention. Code compliance and insurance audits aside, properly operating fire and egress doors top the list of areas requiring constant maintenance and regular inspections. Upon completion of this *two-hour* presentation, facility managers will better understand these requirements, how to interpret inspection reports, and supervise ongoing maintenance for continued compliance with code requirements.

Facility Maintenance Personnel (FMP) Education Session:

Upon completion of this *five-hour* session, facility maintenance personnel will better understand the working components of fire and egress doors assemblies, how to properly assess and functionally test the condition of them, interpret inspection reports in order to conduct or oversee repair, and perform ongoing maintenance for continued compliance with code requirements. If possible, this session will include a walk-through of the facility to review existing opening assemblies as examples of possible non-compliance and deficiencies. If not, examples will be covered during the presentation.

EDUCATION ADVOCATES

DHI's credentialed Fire and Egress Door and Assembly Inspectors, or FDAIs, are recognized and respected as a premier credential by industry organizations such as Intertek, National Fire Protection Association, American Society for Healthcare Engineers and The Joint Commission. FDAIs are the only ones who currently qualify to become Education Advocates for the Foundation. We use a North American network of over 400 FDAIs to support the advocacy of our fire door inspection initiatives and our Education Advocates deliver the Foundation's education to facility personnel, AHJs and other stakeholders. You can locate an FDAI in your area to conduct the Foundation's education for you through our website at www.doorsecuritysafety.org.



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