FLASH - Continuing Education Rules Delayed

Pursuant to Governor Beverly Purdue’s Executive Order No. 70 which states, in part, “Rules shall not impose undue burdens upon those persons or entities who must comply with those rules”, and in view of the current economic climate, the Board members at their last meeting voted to disapprove the proposed continuing education rules.

Refrigeration Up-Date 2012

“A mind once stretched by a new idea never regains its original dimensions” ....Anonymous

Don’t miss out on Refrigeration Up-Date 2012 scheduled for May 9, 2012 at the Hickory Metro Convention Center at 1960 13th Ave., Dr., SE in Hickory, NC.

The exposition hall will be open from 8:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. with educational sessions from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon.

The Up-Date is a platform for the latest products, technologies and services available to our industry; it is trade exclusive only and not open to the general public.

Registration is free for both the exposition and educational sessions. We expect a large crowd for this meeting and would appreciate your pre-registering. By pre-registering you will receive your name tag and information brochure in the mail prior to the Up-Date. A registration form may be found on page 4.

Companies interested in exhibiting at the show should contact the Board office (919-779-4711) for an informational packet.

Rooms are available as adjacent to the convention center as follows. Individuals are responsible for making their own room reservations.

Courtyard by Marriott
828-267-2100
$124 plus tax, double or king

Hampton Inn
828-624-2000
Queen—$129 plus tax
King—$139 plus tax

Both hotels are off of I-40 at exit 125 at the convention center.

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Special points of interest:

- Trade exclusive expo and educational seminars
- Free registration
- Excellent means of networking and solidifying strong business relationships with others in the industry
Disciplinary Action

Penalties for violation of the licensing law and Board rules vary depending on the facts and circumstances of each case.

Baker, Alvin, dba Appliance Solutions, Inc., Rocky Mount, NC. Allegations of refrigeration contracting without a license. Board approved a cease and desist order demanding respondent immediately cease and desist from offering or rendering commercial refrigeration contracting without a valid refrigeration contractors license issued under the provisions of NCGS 87-57.

Boudini, Doud Laiv, Wilmington, NC. Allegations of refrigeration contracting without a license. Letter of Warning signed August 29, 2011 cautioning respondent against doing refrigeration contracting without a valid refrigeration contracting license issued under the provisions of NCGS 87-57.

Daniels, Luther, License 3119, dba Daniels Mechanical, Inc., Manteo, NC. Allegations of misconduct in the business of refrigeration contracting in that licensee failed to obtain a permit as required by building inspection authorities to perform commercial refrigeration work. This constitutes a violation of NCGS 87-58(i) and 21 NCAC 60.0311(b). Consent order entered by the Board on September 30, 2011 reprimanding the licensee.

Eller, Sean P., License 4138, dba Quality Refrigeration Concepts, Inc. Allegations of misconduct in the business of refrigeration contracting in that licensee failed to obtain a permit as required by building inspection authorities to perform commercial refrigeration work. This constitutes a violation of NCGS 87-58(i). Consent order entered by the Board on June 24, 2011 reprimanding the licensee.

Jones, John, dba Comfort Controls, Balsam, NC. Allegations of refrigeration contracting without a license. Board approved a cease and desist order on November 4, 2011 demanding respondent immediately cease and desist from offering or rendering commercial refrigeration contracting without a valid refrigeration contractors license issued under the provisions of NCGS 87-57.

Mann, Kenneth C., dba Mann Heating and Air Conditioning, Autryville, NC. Allegations of refrigeration contracting without a license. Board approved a cease and desist order demanding respondent immediately cease and desist from offering or rendering commercial refrigeration contracting without a valid refrigeration contractors license issued under the provisions of NCGS 87-57.

Nichols, Joel, dba Nichols Repair Service, Elk Park, NC. Allegations of refrigeration contracting without a license. Board approved a cease and desist order demanding respondent immediately cease and desist from offering or rendering commercial refrigeration contracting without a valid refrigeration contractors license issued under the provisions of NCGS 87-57.
Bits and Pieces

The members and staff of the Board would like to take this opportunity to wish each of you and your families a happy holiday season and a prosperous 2012.

The Board met in September for a general business meeting and election of officers. The following will serve during 2012:

T. F. Welch, Chairman
K. A. Austin, Secretary
J. M. King, Treasurer

All 2011 refrigeration contracting licenses expire on December 31, 2011. Renewal applications received after that date will be subject to a $35.00 reinstatement fee.

A 2012 renewal/reinstatement application was mailed to all refrigeration contractors in early October. If you have misplaced or did not receive your form, please contact the board office for a duplicate form.

Please notify the Board office as soon as possible when you change your trade name, address or telephone number. Since much of the information mailed from the Board office is present standard, it is absolutely necessary that contractors keep the office advised of changes as soon as they become effective.

Scholarship applications have been mailed to the community college financial aid offices and HVAC/R instructors. Applications are due back in the Board office no later than February 1, 2012. For information on the scholarship program, and/or an application form please visit the Board’s website (www.refrigerationboard.org) or call the Board office.

The Board has found several instances in which our licensed contractors have neglected to obtain a permit as required by building inspection authorities. This practice is unlawful and will not be permitted by the Board. N. C. General Statute 87-58(i) and 21 NCAC 60.0311(b) are quite explicit regarding this practice.

Industrial Refrigeration Workshop

The next offering of the Industrial Refrigeration Workshop will be February 20-24, 2012 in Charlotte, NC. This one-week course is intended for those who make decisions such as the purchase of new components, and the enlargement or modification of the plant. Manufacturers of components learn how their products fit into the entire system.

Two coordinators, Don Fenton of Kansas State University and Gary Wilson of the University of North Carolina, Charlotte, provide the fundamentals on which five experts from the industrial refrigeration field supply their practical experience. A thread that runs through the course is the design of a facility, which will be a refrigerated distribution center.

The International Institute of Ammonia Refrigeration and Kansas State University sponsor the workshop. Registration cost is $1,450 handled by the Division of Continuing Education at Kansas State University (785) 532-5569. A discount of $50.00 is available to members of the International Institute of Ammonia Refrigeration.
Up-Date 2012 Registration Form

Please register the following for Up-Date 2012. Additional forms may be duplicated as needed.

Name ________________________________

Name ________________________________

Name ________________________________

Company Name ________________________

Address ______________________________

City __________________ State __________ Zip ___________

Phone ________________________________

RETURN TO: SBRE, 889 Highway 70 West, Garner, NC 27529