

# ICC Code Development

## Previous Schedule (06/08)

<u>Year 1</u>	<u>Year 2</u>	<u>Year 3</u>
Education-March	FAH- May	CDH- February
CDH/ABM- September	Education/ABM- October	FAH/ABM- September

## Interim Schedule (09/11)

Education- March	FAH(A)- May	Committees- May
CDH(A&B)/ABM-Oct/Nov	FAH (B)/ABM- October	Premier Codes/ABM- Oct.

## New Schedule (12/14 and beyond)

CDH (A)- May	CDH (B)- May	Committees- May
FAH (A)/ABM- Oct.	FAH (B)/ABM- Oct.	Premier Codes/ABM- Oct.

(Group A) Track 1- IBC-E, IBC-FS, IBC-G; Track 2- IBC-S, IFGC, IMC, IPC, IPSDC  
(Group B) Track 1- IECC, IRC-B/E; Track 2- IEBC, IFC, IPERF, IPMZC, IRC-M/P, IUWIC, ADMIN

## ICC Code Development Modifications Guiding Principles

1. Reduce the length of the Code Development Hearings (CDH) and Final Action Hearings (FAH), both number of days and hours
2. Allow all governmental members and honorary members to determine the final content of the ICC Codes
3. Reduce costs, both to the organization and the members
4. Increase electronic processing
5. Schedule all FAH at the Annual Business Meeting, which rotates location
6. Schedule CDH at one central reoccurring location
7. Increase participation
8. Maintain the importance of in-person attendance at the CDH and FAH
9. Increase importance of successful Assembly Action
10. Maintain (or increase) education offerings
11. Maintain the 3-year publication cycle
12. Schedule CDH and FAH at reoccurring date ranges

## **CODE HEARING SCHEDULE CHANGES**

### **Highlights of the revised the Code Hearings Schedule include:**

- Maintaining the 3-year publication cycle
- Maintaining the ICC Governmental Consensus Process
- Dividing the codes into two groupings, with each grouping having Code Development and Final Action Hearings occurring in the spring and fall of the same year during the first two years of the publication cycle
- An unveiling of all the new codes at the Annual Conference in the third year
- Holding Code Development Hearings at the same central location every April/May
- Holding all Final Action Hearings at the Annual Conference at locations which will continue to rotate through the four quadrants of the U.S. in late October/early November.

### **The Board's vote follows three years of extensive membership input to the Task Force on Hearings:**

- An organized, focused effort to address hearing schedules was started in 2005 with the creation of a Task Force on Hearings, in response to member comments regarding the growth in the number of proposed code changes submitted every cycle and the time required for processing. This Task Force has functioned as an ICC Board committee in conjunction with members of the Industry Advisory Committee. The Task Force was subsequently maintained by Presidents Wally Bailey and Steve Shapiro through November of 2008.
- The goals of the Task Force were to:
  - Reduce the length of the hearings,
  - Increase participation,
  - Retain quality of the end-product.
- The Task Force has posted information and interim reports on the iccsafe.org website, reviewed correspondence (chapter resolutions, letters, and emails), heard suggestions, and conducted Cracker Barrel sessions and four Members Forums.
- There have been 16 teleconference Task Force meetings and one in-person meeting in addition to the Task Force members attending code hearings, annual business meetings, and members' forums. The ICC Board has heard a report from the Task Force or taken action on recommendations at almost every board meeting, starting in 2006.

- The number of code change items has grown. The following table shows a significant increase in the number of proposals at the Code Development Hearings, but an even more dramatic increase in the Final Action Hearing items. The percentage of code proposals from the Code Development Hearings considered at the Final Action Hearings has steadily increased from 14% in 2000 to 35% in 2007/2008.

<b>Year</b>	<b># Considered at CDH</b>	<b># Considered at FAH</b>	<b>Percent</b>
2000	1172	169	14%
2001	1009	133	13
2002	1735	357	20
2003/2004	1623	380	23
2004/2005	2124	560	26
2006/2007	2261	634	28
2007/2008	2213	778	35

- The 2008 Code Development Hearings in Palm Springs were 13 days, the Annual Business Meeting and Final Action Hearings in Minneapolis were 10 days, and the 2009 Annual Business Meeting and Code Development Hearings in Baltimore are scheduled for 19 days (reflecting the CDH being placed on both sides of the ABM, per previous Task Force recommendations).
- The number of hours per day devoted to these hearings has also increased in order to complete the business within the scheduled number of days.
- Typically, code changes are heard at an average rate of 10 changes per hour. While portions of the hearings will exceed or fall below this rate, that tends to be the overall average.
- The use of electronic key pads (a Task Force recommendation) for the first time in Rochester at the 2007 Final Action Hearings reduced the time required for manual counts on close votes, resulting in a reduction in hearing duration of approximately 5 hours. The electronic key pad time savings will not offset the time required to handle the increased number of proposals.

*NOTE: Board President Adolf Zubia will provide additional information forums including a Town Hall meeting at the Codes Forum in New Orleans, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday, March 22, at the Sheraton New Orleans Gallery Room.*

## CP #28 Code Development Process

### Summary of changes:

- Reinstate ability to make modifications at the CDH
- Maintain that ruling of the Chairman on modifications being in or out of order is final
- Limit multiple proposals and multiple public comments on the same section from the same person
- Make a successful assembly action the standing motion at the FAH, requires 2/3 vote (increases importance of attending CDH)
- If the assembly action motion fails, the code committee action will be the next motion (maintains importance of committee)
- Revisions to table with required percentages to implement assembly action being standing motion at FAH
- Posting on the website satisfies the timelines in the code development process
- Supplements may be published; all activity posted
- Updated standards must be available by December 1, 2011
- Opportunity for cleanup and clarification of current practice

The electronic ratification vote is not included. That issue will be evaluated with the future feedback on the bylaws changes.

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**TENTATIVE**  
**LIST OF CODES TO BE**  
**CONSIDERED AT THE**  
**CODE DEVELOPMENT**  
**HEARINGS**

PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS IS A  
TENTATIVE LIST OF CODES. This is not  
the order of codes to be considered. The  
codes will be considered in two tracks.

A hearing schedule will be posted on  
this page mid July.

WEEK OF OCTOBER 24-  
OCTOBER 31

IBC – Structural  
IECC  
IEBC  
IFC  
IPMC  
IRC – B & E  
IWUIC

WEEK OF NOVEMBER 4 –  
NOVEMBER 11

Admin (Chapter 1 of I-Codes)  
IBC – Means of Egress  
IBC – Fire Safety  
IBC – General  
IFGC  
IMC  
IPC  
IRC – M & P

**2009/2010 ICC CODE DEVELOPMENT SCHEDULE  
UPDATED 5/8/09**

STEP IN CODE DEVELOPMENT CYCLE	DATE	
DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF APPLICATIONS FOR CODE COMMITTEES	January 2, 2009	
DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF CODE CHANGE PROPOSALS	June 1, 2009	
WEB POSTING OF "PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE I-CODES"	August 24, 2009	
DISTRIBUTION DATE OF "PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE I-CODES" (Limited distribution - see notes)	October 3, 2009	
CODE DEVELOPMENT HEARING (CDH) ALL CODES – see notes	<b>October 24 - November 11, 2009</b> Baltimore, MD	
WEB POSTING OF "REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEARING"	December 16, 2009	
DISTRIBUTION DATE OF "REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEARING" (Limited distribution - see notes)	January 11, 2010	
IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE NEW CODE DEVELOPMENT PROCESS (see notes), THE CODES WILL BE SPLIT INTO TWO GROUPS WITH SEPARATE PUBLIC COMMENT DEADLINES AND FINAL ACTION HEARINGS		
	GROUP A (see notes)	GROUP B (see notes)
DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF PUBLIC COMMENTS	February 8, 2010	July 1, 2010
WEB POSTING OF PUBLIC COMMENTS "FINAL ACTION AGENDA"	March 15, 2010	August 26, 2010
DISTRIBUTION DATE OF PUBLIC COMMENTS "FINAL ACTION AGENDA" (Limited distribution - see notes)	April 16, 2010	September 27, 2010
FINAL ACTION HEARING (FAH)	<b>May 14 - 23, 2010</b> Dallas, TX	<b>Oct 28 – Nov 1, 2010</b> Charlotte, NC
ANNUAL CONFERENCES	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>October 24 – November 11, 2009</u></b> 2009 ICC Annual Conference and Code Development Hearing Baltimore, MD</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>October 25 – November 1, 2010</u></b> 2010 ICC Annual Conference and Final Action Hearing Charlotte, NC</p>	
RESULTING PUBLICATION	2012 I-Codes (available April/2011)	

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### **Code Development Process Notes:**

As noted in the posted Advisory Statement of February 4, 2009, the revised Code Development Process includes maintaining the current 3-year publication cycle with a single cycle of code development between code editions, implemented as follows:

- Transitional Process – 2009/2010 only
  - Single Code Development Hearing (CDH) for all codes in 2009
  - Two Final Action Hearings (FAH) in 2010 – modified Groups A and B (see below)
  - Publish 2012 edition in April/2011
- New Process – 2012/2013 and going forward
  - Code committee application deadline (all codes): June 1, 2011
  - Codes split into two groups: Group A and Group B
  - Group A: IBC; IFGC; IMC; IPC; IPSDC
    - Code change deadline: January 3, 2012
    - Code Development Hearing: April/May 2012
    - Final Action Hearing: October/November 2012 (in conjunction with Annual Conference)
  - Group B: Admin (Ch 1 of I-Codes); IEBC; IECC; IFC; IPerfC; IPMC; IRC; IWUIC; IZC
    - Code change deadline: January 3, 2013
    - Code Development Hearing: April/May 2013
    - Final Action Hearing: October/November 2013 (in conjunction with Annual Conference)
  - Publish 2015 edition in April/2014
  - Repeat for subsequent editions

### **2009/2010 Cycle Notes:**

- Revised code change deadline of June 1<sup>st</sup> posted on March 19<sup>th</sup>
- Distribution date: Complimentary code development cycle document distribution will be limited to CD's mailed to those who are on ICC's code change document mailing list. Published versions of the code change documents will only be provided to those requesting a copy via advance orders and there will be a charge to cover the cost of printing and shipping. A limited supply will be on-site at the CDH and FAH for the same charge.
- Code Development Hearings: The Baltimore Code Development Hearings will include all 13 I-Codes. The hearings will be held in the conventional two track format with the hearings split before and after the Annual Conference during the periods of October 24 – 31 and November 4 – 11. The specific codes and hearing order to be determined based on code change volume.
- Final Action Hearing Groupings: Final Action Hearing logistics dictate that the hearings will not be split along established Group A and B codes (see above) due hotel commitments which limit the amount of hearing time at the October/2010 FAH versus the May/2010 FAH. Tentatively, the May/2010 FAH will include Group A codes plus certain Group B codes to be determined based on code change volume.



## Upcoming Meetings

### 2009 Code Development Hearings and Annual Conference

- Registration Now Open

#### 2009 Code Development Hearings

October 24 – October 31  
 November 4 – 11  
 Hilton Baltimore

#### 2009 Annual Conference

November 1 – 4  
 Baltimore Convention Center

- 2009 ICC Awards Call for Nominations
- **2009 Call for Nominations to the ICC Board of Directors**
  - Call for Nominations
  - Guide to Understanding the ICC Board of Directors Election Transition

### 2010 Hearings & Annual Conference

#### 2010 Final Action Hearing \*

May 14 – May 23, 2010  
 Sheraton Dallas Hotel  
 Dallas, Texas  
 Guest Room Rates are \$139.00

#### 2010 Annual Conference

October 25 – October 28, 2010  
 Charlotte North Carolina at the Charlotte Convention Center  
 Host Hotel: Westin Charlotte  
 Co-Host Hotel: Hilton Charlotte  
 Guest Room rates range from \$159 to \$179  
 More details coming early 2010

#### 2010 Final Action Hearings \*

October 28 – November 1, 2010  
 Charlotte North Carolina at the Charlotte Convention Center  
 Host Hotel: Westin Charlotte  
 Co-Host Hotel: Hilton Charlotte  
 Guest Room rates range from \$159 to \$179  
 More details coming early 2010

\* Based upon the revised Code Development Process, starting in 2009, there will be two Final Action Hearings for the 2009/2010 Cycle. The I-Codes will be split into two groups with the first group's Final Action Hearings in May 2010 and the second

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group's Final Action Hearings held in conjunction with the 2010 Annual Conference as noted. Code groups TBD.

### Upcoming Meetings

#### **2012 Spring Hearing Hearing (Code Development Hearing – Group A Codes)**

April 29 – May 6, 2012

Sheraton Dallas Hotel

Dallas, Texas

Guest Room Rates are \$149.00

#### **2013 Spring Hearing Hearing (Code Development Hearing – Group B Codes)**


April 21 – April 28, 2013

Sheraton Dallas Hotel

Dallas, Texas

Guest Room Rates are \$149.00

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### Conference Wrap-Up

- 2009 Codes Forum
- 2008 Annual Conference
- 2008 Codes Forum

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# ICC CODE CORRELATION COMMITTEE



## SCOPE & OBJECTIVES

Scope: This committee shall maintain records and initiate recommendations concerning consistency and format for content in the family of International Codes.

Objectives:

1. Maintain ICC Style Guidelines for International Codes and associated publications.
2. Maintain records on the status of provisions in the IRC and other International Codes that the membership determined, through their final action on proposed changes, are not to be technically coordinated.
3. Maintain a master list of boundary of coverage for topics addressed in all International Codes, including draft versions of new codes.
4. Review proposals that affect maintenance responsibilities of Code Development Committees and recommend action to the ICC Board of Directors in accordance with the *ICC Code Development Process for the International Codes*.
5. Identify technical and editorial inconsistencies within an International Code or between two or more International Codes. Submit code change proposals to correct technical inconsistencies and recommend revision to the ICC Board of Directors to correct editorial inconsistencies in accordance with the *ICC Code Development Process for the International Codes*.
6. Monitor status of ICC Performance Codes. Recommend to the ICC Board of Directors the method of integration into the ICC family of codes.
7. Review proposed editorial revisions to the International Codes and recommend action to the ICC Board of Directors in accordance with the *ICC Code Development Process for the International Codes*.
8. Perform any other technical, editorial and correlative functions assigned by the ICC Board of Directors.

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