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## FBC Education Administrator Report

March 16, 2012

- A. Provided administrative support for FBC Education POC for January 18, 2012 meeting
- B. Drafted minutes for FBC Education POC January 18, 2012 meeting
- C. Prepared agenda for FBC Education POC meeting on March 26, 2012
- D. Inquiries from the public January 10, 2012 to March 15, 2012 as follows:

22 inquiries; 7 telephone; 8 email; 7 telephone and email

### Category of inquirers:

3 Engineers	15 Providers	2 Consumer
1 licensee	1 Building Code Official Licensee Applicant	

### Types of Inquiries:

- 1 Core Course
- 1 Licensure Course Requirement
- 2 Course Application Submission Verification
- 1 POC Agenda Dates
- 4 BCIS System Access/Accuracy
- 1 Listing of Courses
- 8 Course Renewal Questions
- 2 Advanced Core Course
- 1 Code Requirements for Bathroom Renovation
- 1 Unclaimed Property

- E. Report on handling of status of FBC courses and effective date of 2010 Florida Building Code:

The following e-mail message was sent to all FBC training providers and accreditors:

Subj: **IMPORTANT NOTICE About Your FBC Advanced Codes Course(s)**  
Date: 2/8/2012 2:14:53 PM Eastern Standard Time  
From: [BASFanswers@aol.com](mailto:BASFanswers@aol.com)  
To: [basfanswers@aol.com](mailto:basfanswers@aol.com)  
Sent from the Internet ([Details](#))

Dear FBC Training Provider,

This is an **IMPORTANT NOTICE About Your FBC Advanced Codes Course(s)**.

As you all know, the 2010 Florida Building Code will go into effect on March 15, 2012.

You may need to take some action on your FBC approved advanced codes courses before March 15, 2012.

**IF YOU DO NOT TAKE ACTION, YOUR COURSE WILL EXPIRE ON MARCH 15, 2012.**

If you have a course approved under the 2007 Florida Building Code (or any version of the Code prior to 2010), you will need to go on the Building Code Information System (BCIS) and designate whether the course is not affected by the changes in the 2010 Florida Building Code or update the course to meet the 2010 Florida Building Code.

Please read these specific provisions of administrative rule to learn what you need to do for your course(s):

Rule 9B-70.002, Florida Administrative Code:

(3)(f) On or before the effective date of changes to the Florida Building Code, providers shall either designate on the Building Code Information System at [www.floridabuilding.org](http://www.floridabuilding.org) that the course is not affected by the code changes or update the existing accredited courses affected by the code changes and submit for accreditation. If the course is not affected by the code changes, the course's status shall remain active. The code version that initiated the update and reaccreditation process must be noted on the application. Accreditation of revisions to approved accredited courses shall be accomplished in the same manner as described in paragraphs (a) through (f) hereof, except that only the revision submitted shall be subject to review and these courses shall be approved by the administrator of the education program subject to ratification by the Florida Building Commission.

(g) If an approved accredited course requires revision to correct or update a reference, table, diagram, or quoted provision of code, law, or administrative rule, the training provider may submit the revised course and complete Form FBC-ED-002, effective September 10, 2010, adopted herein by reference and available from the Building Code Information System at [www.floridabuilding.org](http://www.floridabuilding.org). The training provider must list the exact change, the specific location of the change, and reason for the change in the course and affirm this is the only change. The changes to the course shall be approved by the administrator of the education program subject to ratification by the Florida Building Commission.

If you have any questions or need more information, please contact:

E-mail: [info@buildingasaferflorida.org](mailto:info@buildingasaferflorida.org)

Telephone: 850-222-2772 or 850-222-1348

Sincerely,

Building A Safer Florida, Inc.  
FBC Education Administrator

As of March 15, 2012, the courses below remain active and in good standing. These courses were either developed and approved to the 2010 code, reviewed and selected as "reviewed, no change" or "self-affirmed" by the FBC provider, or revised to the 2010 code and approved by the FBC on or before March 15, 2012.

Course Number	Course Name	Status Date
494.0	Advanced Training-Florida Accessibility Code Update-INTERNET VERSION	12/7/2011
493.0	Advanced Commercial Energy Code Compliance: Methods, Tools and Verification	12/7/2011
492.0	FBCB 2010 Adv. Mod. Building/Structural Summary	12/7/2011
491.0	Advanced Floodplain Requirements 2010 Florida Building Code	2/2/2012
490.0	Advanced Training - Florida Accessibility Code Update	12/7/2011
489.0	An Overview of The 2010 Florida Building Code, Building Volume - Live Seminar	10/11/2011
488.0	An Overview of The 2010 Florida Building Code, Building Volume	10/11/2011
487.0	ADVANCED Florida Accessibility Code - Application and Administration	10/11/2011
484.0	Advanced (ADV) Field Marking Electrical Equipment, Internet	10/11/2011
481.0	FBC Advanced Module Energy Efficiency Regulations for Pools and Spas	10/11/2011
480.0	FBC Advanced Module: 2010 Updates	10/11/2011
473.0	Advanced Residential Energy Code Compliance: Methods, Tools and Verification	3/15/12
403.1	ADVANCED 2007 FBC BONDING METAL FRAMING MEMBERS	2/11/2012
395.1	Advanced Accessibility Building Code 2010	10/2/2011
373.0	Advanced Florida Building Code - Permits, Inspections and Paperwork	2/15/2012
345.1	Advanced Module 2010 FBCB Building\Structural Summary	12/7/2011
344.0	Advanced 2007 Florida Building Code: Chapter 1 - Administration	2/15/2012
331.1	Florida Building Code Advanced 2010: Fixtures, Faucets and Fixture Fittings	2/29/2012
325.1	Florida Building Code Advanced 2010-Floors	2/29/2012

317.1	Advanced Backflow Prevention Internet Course 1 Hour	2/9/2012
307.0	Advanced Florida Building Code: Entrapment Protection	3/7/2012
293.0	Advanced Florida Building Code: Entrapment Protection for Suction Inlets	3/7/2012
248.1	Private Pools and Spas Adv Mod FBC 2010 with Supps.	2/29/2012
248.0	Private Pools and Spas Adv Mod FBC 2004_05_06 Supp	2/24/2012
220.2	Florida Building Code Advanced Training: Residential	9/18/2011
194.1	Advanced Code: Building/Structural (Internet)	3/12/2012
179.1	Advanced FBC Florida Building Commission	9/19/2011
172.1	Advanced FBC Permits and Application	2/21/2012
171.0	Advanced FBC Enforcement and Education	2/21/2012
169.1	Advanced FBC Enforcement and Education	2/21/2012

This list represents 30 approved courses, down from approximately 112 courses that were (technically) approved prior to March 15, 2012. Some courses that were listed as approved were obsolete (as they were developed to the 2001, 2004, or 2007 code), but the administrative rule did not previously allow for expiration by the effective date of a newer code version.

Based on courses that are in the process of being revised or new courses that are under development, we expect that list to grow in the next two months (and beyond).

After March 15, 2012, the following e-mail message was sent to all FBC training providers and accreditors:

Subj: **IMPORTANT - FBC Courses NOT Reviewed Before March 15, 2012**  
Date: 3/16/2012 2:15:55 PM Eastern Daylight Time  
From: [BASFanswers@aol.com](mailto:BASFanswers@aol.com)  
To: [info@buildingasaferflorida.org](mailto:info@buildingasaferflorida.org)  
Sent from the Internet ([Details](#))

Dear FBC Training Provider,

This is an **IMPORTANT NOTICE About Your FBC Advanced Codes Course(s) AFTER March 15, 2012.**

As you all know, the 2010 Florida Building Code went into effect on March 15, 2012.

On February 8, 2012, an e-mail message was sent to you advising that any FBC approved advanced codes course needed action before March 15, 2012 or it would expire on March 15, 2012.

If you did not take any of the following actions:

- Reviewed, no change,
- Self-affirmed the course, if just one change was needed, or
- Revised the course (revised portions required accreditation),

then your course(s) expired and is/are **no longer valid for licensee continuing education credit.**

Please govern yourself accordingly.

If you have any questions or need more information, please contact:

E-mail: [info@buildingasaferflorida.org](mailto:info@buildingasaferflorida.org)  
Telephone: 850-222-2772 or 850-222-1348

You are welcome to send us your FBC course number, and we will check the status.

Sincerely,

Building A Safer Florida, Inc.  
FBC Education Administrator

F. Legislation – The Florida Legislature passed a bill (HB 887) that allows for DBPR, rather than licensure boards, to approve continuing education courses. If approved by Governor Scott (and this is expected), the change will take effect October 1, 2012. Amending section 455.2179(1), Florida Statutes, this language is added:

*Notwithstanding this subsection or any other provision of law, the department may approve continuing education providers or courses even if there is a board. If the department determines that an application for a continuing education provider or course requires expert review or should be denied, the department shall forward the application to the appropriate board for review and approval or denial.*

*Notwithstanding this subsection or any other provision of law, only the department may determine the contents of any documents submitted for approval of a continuing education provider or course.*

The Florida Legislature also passed HB 517 that allows an inactive licensee to complete only one renewal cycle of continuing education to change to active status (section 455.271(10), Florida Statutes). If approved by Governor Scott (and it may or may not be), the change will take effect on July 1, 2012.

#### G. DBPR Professional Board course approval process versus the FBC course approval process

This includes some (not all) information about advanced codes course approval process for FBC and each board for affected licensees. This is not intended to be comprehensive, but rather a view for comparison. This does not include information on provider requirements, fees, or reporting requirements.

#### Florida Building Commission (FBC) advanced course approval process description:

- Registered training provider: all DBPR approved providers qualify (cost \$25)
- Submit to BCIS:
  - Course title ("advanced" if appropriate and "internet" if such)
  - Course number (assigned by BCIS)
  - Hours of credit
  - Name, address, telephone number and e-mail address of the provider
  - Course description completely describing what the particular course is designed to address;
  - Course/learning objectives and course time allotments for course content
  - Course outline and instructional methods (course content and methods used to teach that content)
  - Code edition to which the course relates
  - Course references cited in the outline
  - Course references cited in the outline
  - Method of course evaluations
  - Minimum of 50% of training materials content related to FBC or Florida Statutes or rules related to FBC
  - Course materials must accurately reflect the Florida Building Code and topics under jurisdiction of FBC
  - Course materials provided to the attendee shall be provided by the accreditor.
- Accreditor selected and paid by provider; accreditor submits approval or denial on BCIS
- Education administrator places accredited course on POC agenda (deadline is 23 days before FBC meeting)
- POC recommends approval or denial, and FBC approves or denies
- Education administrator notifies provider and DBPR through BCIS

#### Building Code Administrators and Inspectors Board (BCAIB) course approval process description:

- No specification on number of advanced hours (but statute does require advanced course(s))
- Submit application (on DBPR form) to DBPR at least 90 days before course offered:

- Course syllabus
- Detailed outline of contents of course
- Proctored telecourses must meet same conditions as classroom or seminar courses
- Interactive distance learning courses (internet or interactive electronic media) must be/include:
  - Testing mechanism with passing score required
  - Total number of interactive distance learning hours, syllabus, and detailed outline
  - Name and qualifications of all instructors
  - Interactive providing for interchange between student and teach
  - Registration, evaluation, monitoring, and verification
  - Accessible at locations and times determined by student
  - 60 minutes of instruction
- Course approval valid for two years (unless provider is disciplined)
- Substantial course changes require new approval of course
- BCAIB must approve or deny course at first meeting more than 30 days after application received by board
- If denied, BCAIB must identify specific reasons within 15 days of denial decision
- Approved courses assigned a number by BCAIB which must be used on all materials and promotions

Florida Board of Professional Engineers (FBPE) course approval process description:

None for advanced codes courses (they may develop this in the future)

Section 471.0195, Florida Statutes, Florida Building Code training for engineers.—All licensees actively participating in the design of engineering works or systems in connection with buildings, structures, or facilities and systems covered by the Florida Building Code shall take continuing education courses and submit proof to the board, at such times and in such manner as established by the board by rule, that the licensee has completed any specialized or advanced courses on any portion of the Florida Building Code applicable to the licensee's area of practice. The board shall record reported continuing education courses on a system easily accessed by code enforcement jurisdictions for evaluation when determining license status for purposes of processing design documents. Local jurisdictions shall be responsible for notifying the board when design documents are submitted for building construction permits by persons who are not in compliance with this section. The board shall take appropriate action as provided by its rules when such noncompliance is determined to exist.

Board of Architecture and Interior Design (BAID), Architects, course approval process description:

- Two hours of advanced codes (approved by FBC) relating to area of practice every two years
- Course requirements contained in "Architecture Continuing Education Handbook Instructions, Applications and General Information for Architecture Continuing Education Providers and Courses" ("the Handbook") (2009):
  - Allows greater variety of methods to achieve CE hours (limitation on hours for some types)
  - Allows (requires) different levels of learning and requires providers to specify same in materials
  - Submit all course materials (including handouts, scheduling, and course content)
  - Providers must submit any changes within 30 days
  - Substantial course changes require new approval of course
  - Administrative procedures and introductions are limited to 10% of course
  - Course content must be no less than 90% of course
  - Must provide DBPR evaluation form for all licensees seeking credit
  - Course approval valid for two years (no substantial change allowed)
  - Apply at least 90 days before course offering or course expiration

Board of Architecture and Interior Design (BAID), Interior Design, course approval description:

- Two hours of advanced codes (approved by FBC) relating to area of practice every two years
- Course requirements contained in "Interior Design Continuing Education Handbook Instructions, Applications and General Information for Interior Design Continuing Education Providers and Courses" ("the Handbook") (2010):

- Allows greater variety of methods to achieve CE hours (limitation on hours for some types)
- Allows (requires) different levels of learning and requires providers to specify same in materials
- Submit all course materials (including handouts, scheduling, and course content)
- Providers must submit any changes within 30 days
- Substantial course changes require new approval of course
- Administrative procedures and introductions are limited to 10% of course
- Course content must be no less than 90% of course
- Must provide DBPR evaluation form for all licensees seeking credit
- Course approval valid for two years (no substantial change allowed)
- Apply at least 90 days before course offering or course expiration

#### Board of Landscape Architecture (BOLA) course approval process description:

- Two hours of advanced codes (approved by FBC) every two years
- Submit application (on DBPR form) to DBPR:
  - Description of subject(s) to be covered
  - Outline including subjects, topics, subtopics
  - Current bibliography
  - Total number of hours of instruction
  - Distance learning: means by which course will demonstrate student involvement and address comprehension of content at regular intervals
  - Name of each proposed instructor and alternate instructor, including education, experience, publication lists and other information relative to qualifications
  - Approval of instructor limited to qualified subject areas
  - Change in instructor qualification must be submitted before used
  - Portion of an approved course may be shortened with credit reduced to reflect (requires board approval)
  - Course constituted of sales presentation or promotion will not be approved
  - Must apply at least 60 days before board meeting
  - Course approval valid for two years (no substantial change allowed)

#### Construction Industry Licensing Board (CILB) course approval process description:

- One hour of advanced codes (approved by FBC) relating to respective discipline every two years
- Submit application (on DBPR form) to DBPR:
  - Total number of classroom or interactive distance learning hours
  - Course syllabus
  - Detailed outline of contents of course
  - Name and qualifications of all instructors known at time of application
  - Minimum qualifications of any instructors not known at time of application
  - For interactive distance learning:
    - Means by which course will demonstrate interactivity between student and provider
    - Within a maximum of 24 hours and promoting student involvement
    - Demonstrate that course measures learning and addresses comprehension at regular intervals
    - Means by which provider monitors student enrollment, participation, and completion
    - Means by which provider shows stated course hour consistent with actual hours spent by student
    - Means by which provider assures instructor available to answer questions and support during course
    - Student statement of personal completion at beginning and end of session
    - Means by which provider will verify student identification
  - Course constituted of sales presentation or promotion will not be approved
  - Course approval valid for three years (no substantial change allowed)
  - Substantial course changes require new approval of course
  - CILB must approve or deny course at first meeting no more than 90 days after application submitted
  - If denied, CILB must identify specific reasons in writing
  - Approved courses assigned a number by CILB which must be used on all materials and promotions

Electrical Contractors Licensing Board (ECLB) course approval process description:

- One hour of advanced codes (approved by FBC) relating to respective discipline every two years
- Submit application (on DBPR form) to DBPR:
  - Total number of classroom hours
  - Course syllabus
  - Detailed outline of contents of course
  - Name and qualifications of all instructors known at time of application
  - Minimum qualifications of any instructors not known at time of application
  - Course approval valid until May 31 of odd numbered years (no substantial change allowed)
  - Interactive distance courses must be interactive, provide for registration, evaluation, monitoring, and must include a multiple-choice test at the end with a minimum passing score of 75%
  - ECLB must approve or deny course at next board meeting if application filed within 45 days of meeting
  - If denied, ECLB must identify specific reasons in writing
  - Providers must use prefixes to designate number of approved hours in statutorily mandated categories:
    - T = technical subject
    - C = workers' compensation
    - S = workplace safety
    - B = business practices

**H. IMPORTANT NOTE: The rule number for the education rule will change to: 61G20-6.002, Florida Administrative Code, as part of moving FBC to DBPR.**

**I. Proposed rule changes – continuing discussion**

Below is the text of rule 9B-70.002, Florida Administrative Code, with proposed changes already discussed and approved by the Education POC. Two new changes are added in subsections (3)(e) and (4)(m) (in bold) for accuracy and to correct an error, respectively.

**9B-70.002 Commission Approval and Accreditation of Advanced Building Code Training Courses.**

(1) Approval of Course Accreditors. The Commission shall approve persons to serve as accreditors of advanced training courses. Persons desiring to be accreditors shall apply using the Register Accreditor function and associated online screens, Form FBC-ED-001, effective September 10, 2010 adopted herein by reference and available from the Building Code Information System at [www.floridabuilding.org/ce/ce\\_tporgapp\\_dtl1.aspx](http://www.floridabuilding.org/ce/ce_tporgapp_dtl1.aspx). Applications shall be accompanied by an application fee of \$100.00. Applications shall be approved by the Commission if the applicant has demonstrated five years of Florida Building Code expertise in the field for which approval is sought, or equivalent as specified below, or possesses an active license issued pursuant to Section 471.015, 481.213, or 481.311; Chapter 489, Part I or II, F.S.; or a standard certificate issued pursuant to Section 468.609, F.S. Accreditors approved by the Commission under prior versions of this rule are authorized to continue accreditation of building code courses. Equivalent expertise or proficiency under this provision shall include:

- (a) A four year college degree or graduate degree in the field for which approval is sought;
- (b) A letter verifying work experience in the field for which approval is sought from a person who supervised the applicant;
- (c) A letter verifying employment and specific position of the applicant in the field for which approval is sought from the applicant's employer; or
- (d) For an accreditor application submitted to accredit only accessibility courses, demonstrated proficiency acceptable to the Commission as a subject matter expert in the field of accessibility.

**(2) Revocation of approval as an accreditor.**

- (a) Any accreditor shall have his/her approval status revoked for any of the following reasons:
  - 1. Knowingly providing a fraudulent application to the Commission, when applying for accreditor status;

2. Suspension or revocation of a trade license submitted to the Commission as part of the initially approved accreditor application, which was not reported to the Commission at the time of suspension or revocation;

3. Failure to effectively and/or accurately accredit courses, specifically relating to the correctness of the course building code content references;

4. Failure to remove him/herself from any “conflict of interest” situations, such as accrediting courses in which the accreditor has a financial interest; or

5. Failure of the accreditor to cooperate with a Commission ordered investigation.

(b) The Commission may suspend the approval status of any accreditor based on any provision of paragraph (2)(a) of this rule, until such time as the accreditor demonstrates that the accreditor’s status is currently in compliance with the requirements of this rule.

(c) The Commission shall initiate an investigation based on a written complaint submitted by any substantially affected party and containing substantial material evidence of a violation of this rule.

(d) The Commission shall clearly post the status of an investigation on its website, the Florida Building Codes Information System, [www.floridabuilding.org](http://www.floridabuilding.org).

(3) Training Provider Registration and Requirements.

(a) Training providers approved by the Department of Business and Professional Regulation who desire Commission approval and accreditation for advanced building code courses shall register with the Building Code Information System using the Register Training Provider function and associated online screens, Form FBC-ED-002, effective September 10, 2010, adopted herein by reference and available from the Building Code Information System at [www.floridabuilding.org/ce/ce\\_tporgapp\\_dtl1.aspx](http://www.floridabuilding.org/ce/ce_tporgapp_dtl1.aspx), and pay a registration fee of \$25.00.

(b) Registered training providers shall submit materials and information pertaining to courses for which Commission accreditation and approval is sought utilizing the Submit a Course Application function and associated online screens, Form FBCED 2003-03, effective September 10, 2010, adopted herein by reference and available from the Building Code Information System at [www.floridabuilding.org](http://www.floridabuilding.org).

(c) The provider shall select an approved accreditor and shall provide payment for services directly to the accreditor. The accreditor selected shall meet the criteria for independence identified in paragraph (d) and shall be listed with the expertise in the field for which approval is sought.

(d) Upon submittal by a training provider, the selected accreditor shall receive an e-mail notification from the Building Code Information System at [www.floridabuilding.org](http://www.floridabuilding.org) and shall review the materials provided by the provider in accordance with the criteria identified herein. The accreditor shall complete the application by providing comments containing the results of the accreditor’s review and approving or denying accreditation of the course updating the accreditation approval status on the Building Code Information System. An accreditor may not approve for accreditation a course application that is not complete and accurate as specified in subsection (4). The accreditor shall also provide a certification of independence that attests the person or entity does not have, nor does it intend to acquire or will acquire, a financial interest in the training provider seeking accreditation.

(e) The Building Code Information System [www.floridabuilding.org](http://www.floridabuilding.org) shall assign an accreditation number to the application upon submittal. The application shall be accredited completely and placed in the “Pending FBC Action” file on the Building Code Information System at [www.floridabuilding.org](http://www.floridabuilding.org) no later than 23 calendar days prior to the next scheduled meeting of the Florida Building Commission. ~~The Commission shall finalize~~ The accreditation process will be finalized utilizing the Building Code Information System at [www.floridabuilding.org](http://www.floridabuilding.org) and ~~notify~~ will be notified the provider and accreditor within 3 business days of the Florida Building Commission’s action on the applications. **If a provider has not taken any action on a submitted but not complete application in 180 days, the Commission may withdraw the application.**

(f) On or before the effective date of changes to the Florida Building Code, providers shall ~~either designate on the Building Code Information System at [www.floridabuilding.org](http://www.floridabuilding.org) that the course is not affected by the code changes or update the existing accredited courses affected by the code changes and submit for accreditation on the Building Code Information System at [www.floridabuilding.org](http://www.floridabuilding.org). If the course is not affected by the code changes, the course’s status shall remain active. The code~~



version that initiated the update and reaccreditation process must be noted on the application. Accreditation of revisions to approved accredited courses shall be accomplished in the same manner as described in paragraphs (a) through (f) hereof, except ~~that~~ only the revision submitted shall be subject to review, ~~and t~~ These courses shall be approved by the administrator of the education program subject to ratification by the Florida Building Commission.

(g) If an approved accredited course is not affected by the code change or requires revision to correct or update a reference, table, diagram, or quoted provision of code, law, or administrative rule, the training provider ~~may submit the revised course and~~ shall complete Form FBC-ED-002, effective September 10, 2010, adopted herein by reference and available from the Building Code Information System at [www.floridabuilding.org](http://www.floridabuilding.org). The code version must be noted on the application. If a correction or update is required, the training provider must list the exact change correction or update, the specific location of the change correction or update, and reason for the change in the course and affirm this is the only change correction or update to the course. The ~~changes~~ correction or update to the course shall be approved by the administrator of the education program subject to ratification by the Florida Building Commission.

(h) A change to the delivery format of an approved accredited course must be submitted for accreditation.

(4) Course Content and Accreditor Review. Accreditors shall review courses submitted by registered providers to determine if the course accurately presents the technical and administrative responsibilities reflected in the current edition of the Florida Building Code, or future editions of the Code if the accreditor is reviewing a course revised to comply with an updated edition of the Florida Building Code in accordance with paragraph (3)(f) of this rule or Florida Statutes or rules related to the Florida Building Code. Accreditors shall not mutually accredit each others' courses. The accreditor shall determine if the course meets the following minimum criteria:

(a) Course title and number. The word "advanced" and, if appropriate, "internet" shall be in the title;

(b) Hours of credit;

(c) Name, address, telephone number and e-mail address of the provider;

(d) Course description completely describing what the particular course is designed to address;

(e) Course/learning objectives;

(f) Course time allotments for course content;

(g) Course outline and instructional methods – detailed description of course content in sequence of how taught and methods used to teach that content. The following instructional methods are authorized, but are not limited to: exercises, quizzes, discussion groups, reading assignments, projects, simulations and presentations;

(h) Code edition to which the course relates;

(i) Course references cited in the outline;

(j) Method of course evaluations;

(k) A minimum of 50% of the actual training materials content shall be related to the Florida Building Code or Florida Statutes or rules related to the Florida Building Code;

(l) Course materials shall accurately reflect the Florida Building Code and other topics under the jurisdiction of the Florida Building Commission; and

**(m) Course materials provided to the attendee shall be provided to by the accreditor.**

(5) Course Accreditation by the Florida Building Commission. Accredited courses are to effectively and accurately address the technical and administrative responsibilities in the effective execution of the Florida Building Code or Florida Statutes or rules related to the Florida Building Code.

(6) The Commission shall audit a minimum of 2% of all accredited courses. The courses selected for audit may not be those of only one provider or reviewed by only one accreditor. Any course submitted for accreditation or re-accreditation determined to not accurately reflect the current or adopted Florida Building Code edition; or Florida Statutes or rules related to the Florida Building Code shall be reported to the Commission for further action. All approved advanced building code courses must reflect the current or adopted Florida Building Code edition; or Florida Statutes or rules related to the Florida Building Code. Any courses accredited and determined by audit or any means to not

accurately reflect the current or adopted Florida Building Code edition; or Florida Statutes or rules related to the Florida Building Code or accredited by an accreditor outside the approved areas of expertise shall have the accreditation revoked, the status of the course communicated to the respective licensing board or boards, and the provider will be required to file a new application for accreditation.

(7) In the event the Commission identifies areas or topics of advanced building code education with an insufficient number of courses available through existing resources, the Commission shall report the areas or topics to the appropriate licensing board. If additional courses do not become available within six months of notification to the licensing board, upon a finding that the absence of course work in the identified subject area is detrimental to the effective administration and enforcement of the Florida Building Code, and funds are available in the Commission's budget for course development, the Commission will develop a minimum of one (1) course that will be made available to training providers.

*Rulemaking Authority 553.841(2) FS. Law Implemented 553.841 FS. History—New 6-8-05, Amended 4-30-07, 6-12-08, 3-4-09, 11-2-09, 1-9-11.*

J. As of August 21, 2011, we have 198 training providers and 12 accreditors

As of December 30, 2011, we have 30 approved courses (dramatic change due to expiration of many courses on March 15, 2012, effective date of 2010 Florida Building Code)