Bulletin: NFRC Standards Submitted for Public Review via ANSI Process

The NFRC ANS Standards Committee and NFRC Board of Directors approved a plan to submit the three NFRC Documents that are referenced in International Code Council (ICC) Building Codes to the American National Standards Institute’s (ANSI) process.

The public review and comment period is scheduled to run from May 2 – June 16, 2014.

The three documents to be submitted for public review, comment, and the full ANSI consensus process will be:

- **NFRC 100: Procedure for Determining Fenestration Product U-factors**, 
- **NFRC 200: Procedure for Determining Fenestration Product Solar Heat Gain Coefficient and Visible Transmittance at Normal Incidence**, and
- **NFRC 400: Procedure for Determining Fenestration Product Air Leakage**.

The announcement that these documents are open to public comment will appear in *Standards Action* on May 2, 2014, marking the beginning of the open public comment period. With the documents being available electronically (via the links above), the comment period will be 45 days, closing on June 16, 2014.

Now that the process has begun, NFRC will be limited in the changes that can be made to the three documents under review; *any* changes made will require resubmission for public review and comment. NFRC members serving on task groups and subcommittees may continue to review and ballot the documents as necessary. Proposed changes will be reserved until either the 18-month “critical” mark (this will occur in June 2015 in this first cycle), or approved changes will be incorporated into the documents at the 3-year cycle (January 2017). The NFRC Board of Directors will determine if changes made at the 18-month mark warrant immediate implementation.

For consistency, all NFRC documents have been converted to the three-year cycle. Most have been updated to the 2014 version and are available on the NFRC website, [Technical Documents page](https://www.nfrc.org). Unless a bulletin went out stating otherwise, no changes
were been made to the 2014 documents from the previously published version. The next cycle will begin in 2017. (NOTE: Users accessing NFRC documents via Internet Explorer may experience difficulty. Please use Google Chrome or Mozilla Firefox.)

Additional details on the process, updates on progress, and information on joining the Standards Committee is available on the ANS Standards Committee group page, which is open to the public. Questions may also be directed to Robin Merrifield at 240-821-9513.

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