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Agenda

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Exam Information
Promotion of Program
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Future Plans

Closing Perspectives
Webpage Update – continued efforts to fix glitches / links.

http://industries.ul.com/blog/firestop-contractor-programs

Firestop Contractor Programs

QUALIFIED FIRESTOP CONTRACTOR PROGRAM FOR U.S. AND CANADA

In the built environment, firestop systems are a critical safeguard against the spread of heat, fire or smoke through gaps in floors and walls. These gaps made during construction include joints, openings or penetrations through a fire-resistance-rated wall or floor. The expertise of a qualified firestop contractor is needed to select and install a code-compliant system to protect penetrations of fire-resistance-rated wall and horizontal assemblies.

UL provides two programs for qualified contractor recognition in the North American market:

- UL Qualified Firestop Contractor Program, for systems installed in accordance with U.S. requirements
- ULC Qualified Firestop Contractor Program, for systems installed in accordance with Canadian requirements

As essential service providers to the building industry, qualified firestop contractors select and install classified firestop systems for residential, institutional, commercial and industrial structures. This process requires careful evaluation and analysis to establish a protective system within a structure to comply with construction documents.

UL’s qualified Firestop Contractor Programs include two critical elements required of all participating contract firms:

- Firms must employ at least one designated responsible individual (DRI) with firestop system expertise and experience demonstrated by successfully completing a UL exam and meeting additional requirements.
- Firms must effectively implement and maintain a management system focused on selection and installation of firestop systems as demonstrated by an audit at the contractor’s facility and jobsite.

If you are a contractor and would like to apply for the UL or ULC Qualified Firestop Contractor Program, follow these steps:
Examination Information - -
You can email myself or Joanne Grousnick for the link.

Exam Information

- We are NOW referencing the new updated version of the MOP
- New exam is now in place as of 2016. (updated to keep pace with industry)
- _____ Have taken the Online exam in 2016
- We will continue to offer the exams at all FCIA Conferences, but you also have On-line access.
Promotion of Program

Tools and Resources for Users

Direct Links to Contractors
Program Development at UL

• Continued Discussions with FCIA Accreditations Committee and UL Staff on new opportunities to expand program…
  - *MS Manual Workshop at all FCIA Conferences*
    • (if interested, please call Pam B., to set up an appointment – there is on set for tonight, May 3rd from 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm – in the Ogle Boardroom)
  - *Webinars for UL QFCP information / questions, etc.*

• We have added a Link to FCIA website, on our webpage.

• We are working on new Badges / Logos for the Program, to modernize the UL Brand.
Program Development at UL

• We are Promoting the Qualified Firestop Programs when and where we can, on a regular basis. Just last week Brian McBain (ULC engineer/Marketing) made a presentation about the UL QFCP, what the concerns are utilizing anyone to install Firestopping and why a Qualified Contractor should be employed. This was presented at the ULC Advisory Council Meeting which included many contractors and AHJ’s.

66th ULC Advisory Council Meeting
April 25-26, 2017

Qualified Firestop Program Value for AHJ
Brian McBain – ULC Inc
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- Product Type
- Products, Systems or Assemblies
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- Master Format Number
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### 2. RESULTS

**Building or Fire Systems**

- Fire Protection Systems
- Commercial Cooking
- Elevators

**Fire Rated Walls, Floors, Beams and Columns**

- Firestop Systems
- Passive Systems
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- Search by Assembly Number
- Search with Specific Parameters

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Search by Assembly Number

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Search  Assembly number: U320
Results  viewing 1-1 of 1

FIRE-RESISTANCE DESIGN

U320 - BXUV.U320

Results  viewing 1-1 of 1

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New Search
Program Development at UL, cont.

FIRE-RESISTANCE DESIGN

Assembly Usage Disclaimer

BXUV - Fire Resistance Ratings - ANSI/UL 263

BXUV7 - Fire Resistance Ratings - CAN/ULC-S101 Certified for Canada

See General Information for Fire-resistance Ratings - ANSI/UL 263

See General Information for Fire Resistance Ratings - CAN/ULC-S101 Certified for Canada

Design No. U320

March 20, 2014

Nonbearing Wall Rating — 1-1/2 HR.

* Indicates such products shall bear the UL or cUL Certification Mark for jurisdictions employing the UL or cUL Certification (such as Canada), respectively.

Diagram of a wall with labeled sections.
Future Plans

Continue to discuss strategic goals and opportunities with Accreditation Committee –

- Barrier management and how it relates to firestopping and qualified contractors
- Further promotion of program within UL and UL audiences
- Provide better recognition of those who pass UL Firestop Exam
Closing Perspectives

- Please provide Feedback so we can improve -
  - Auditors
  - Exams
  - Pre-test test prep sessions and Exam Content
  - Route through us or the FCIA Accreditation Committee

- We will be flexible and will adapt the program where needed

- Use resources available on [www.ul.com](http://www.ul.com) –
  - Code Link, Newsletters,
  - UL and ULC Online Certification Directories;
  - UL Fire Wizard for systems and designs
THANK YOU.

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