



Session 2A Safeguarding Construction

This course will introduce attendees to several of the recent major fires and their causes, the many fire-related hazards that exist on a construction site, the International Building and Fire Code and NFPA requirements for fire protection safeguards during construction and solutions for developing simple fire safety strategies. There also will be information on building materials and construction industry efforts to reduce fire losses.



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Rob Neale is the owner and principal of Integra Code Consultants, a Maryland-based firm that provides construction code consulting, plan review and training.

Previously, he was the International Code Council's Government Relations Vice President for National Fire Service Activities where he coordinated efforts to get the US fire service more engaged in the code development and enforcement process.

Rob also served as the Deputy Superintendent for the United States Fire Administration National Fire Academy in Emmitsburg, MD. He was responsible for development of curriculum aimed at improving the professionalism of America's fire service.

Mr. Neale for six years managed the National Fire Academy's Technical Fire Prevention curriculum; including fire inspection techniques, prescriptive and performance-based fire and building code interpretation and application, fire protection systems function, design, installation and standards, and plan review for fire inspection personnel.

In 2012, he received the FEMA Administrator's Award for Innovation for his development of the popular Coffee Break Training series. Mr. Neale represented the United States Fire Administration in an analysis of the Fire Department of New York's "Comprehensive Building Inspection and Data Analysis System" in 2009, and the Federal Emergency Management Agency World Trade Center Building Performance Assessment Team in 2001.

He has more than 30 years experience in Washington state municipal fire protection as a fire chief, fire marshal, and fire fighter. He served as charter member of the National Fire Protection Association Technical Committee No. 1037 for "Professional Qualifications for Fire Marshal," and represents the United States Fire Administration on the Underwriters Laboratories Fire Council.