NFPA 80 FIRE RATED DOOR INTERPRETATION

IN RESPONSE TO MEMBER REQUESTS FOR CLARIFICATION ON THE INSPECTION OF RATED DOORS, THE ADVOCACY COMMITTEE REQUESTED AN INTERPRETATION FROM NFPA.

WE RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING RESPONSE:

As currently written, no “official” certification or training is required by NFPA 80 for individuals performing fire door inspections. However, individuals must have knowledge and understanding of the operating components of the type of door being subject to testing and inspection. And while official certification and training is not mandated by NFPA 80, it is up to the Authority Having Jurisdiction to review the annual inspection records and he/she can require a specific level of competence which may or may not require training. As written, certification is not a formal requirement.

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