Metro-West Building Officials
Meeting Notice

February 15, 2022
Location: ZOOM
Meeting Start Time 9:00 AM

This month’s presentation will include 2 parts’

Part 1

Firestopping & Inspection in Type VA construction

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Presented by
Wayne Barrow

With over a decade of experience in construction and firestopping, Wayne has conducted firestop inspection and quality control on more than 200 projects to tailing over $12 billion of new construction and 17 million square feet of existing construction. He has authored three books on firestop inspection and quality control, and trained over 8000 building officials, architects, contractors and facilities personnel in the US & the Caribbean. After years working in firestop products and as a firestop installation contractor, he is now President of VeriCon, an independent inspection, consulting and training firm.

For questions about the class feel free to contact us at:

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- Remember! It is all about the systems, not the materials!
- Do the wall designs meet IBC requirements??
- There must be horizontal continuity (§711.2.2)
- Tub drain openings
- PVC hubs, couplings & Y-connectors
- Electrical panels, shower valves & other things that should not be in rated walls.
- Approval & auditing of your firestop inspector

Firestopping & Inspection in Type VA Construction

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9-11 AM
Zoom meeting

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"One of the most informative classes I have ever been in. If you haven't taken a class with Wayne, you are missing things on your inspections of fire-rated assemblies."

Building Commissioner – MA

"Your courses and advice have helped tremendously in our inspections and what we require for commercial projects"

Building Inspector – MI

"This has been one of the most informative seminars that I have attended. You guys are great! The follow up information is very useful."

Building Inspector – CA

Firestopping is now getting the code & enforcement focus it needs. Effective compartmentation saves lives, saves property, & protects firefighters even when sprinklers fail.

Now is the time to get in front of the new code changes and lead out in your community. Arm yourself with correct and complete info.

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Part 2

Metro-West will be offering training on the 10 Edition MSBC aka 2021 I-Codes.

Each monthly meeting Metro-West will dedicate 1 hour for review of each I-Codes. February we will review the 2021 IRC aka 10th Edition MSBC with amendments.


Members of the Board of Building & Standards (BBRS) have voted that the next, 10th Edition of the Massachusetts building code will be based on modified versions of the 2021 International Code series.

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**Presented by**

**Eugene M. Novak, Jr., CBO**

**Gene Novak** is a district state building inspector with the Department of Occupational Labor – Office of Public Safety & Inspections. Gene has over 32 years of knowledge of experience applying building codes and standards to a variety of buildings and structures in the built environment. Gene is a certified NIMS instructor, NAARSO instructor, AIMS Instructor and has personally reviewed plans, issued building permits and conducted inspections on thousands of residential and commercial building projects through-out the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Gene has presented technical topics to code officials and has demonstrated an ability to understand, educate and apply codes and referenced standards to a variety of building design proposals from concept and feasibility stages through start-up and implementation.

**Gene** has served or is serving on the following committees:

NFPA 5000 Building Construction and Safety Code,
NFPA 1999 PPE (Personal Protective Equipment for First Responders and First Receivers),
NFPA 1026 ICS – Qualifications Committee,
Massachusetts Emergency Management Team,
Robert Berger is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

**Topic:** Metro-West Building Officials February 15th Zoom Meeting  
**Time:** Feb 15, 2022 09:00 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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