



Illinois Fire Inspectors Association

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A Message from the Board of Directors

Your help is needed!! The State Fair will happen this month. The Fire Services Association will again be hosting the fire safety tent. The IFIA turn to staff it is Sunday, August 22. We can certainly use your help. If you would be willing to come down and offer a couple of hours to help, there would still be time for you to walk around and see the Fair. If you are able to volunteer just a few hours, we will provide you will gate and parking passes. If you have Explorer scout groups, or other interested parties, they can assist as well. Family members are welcome too. The tent is open from 10 – 5.

Fire Prevention awards. The IFIA would like to recognize your members who have gone above and beyond in doing the job. Over this past year, I'm sure there are many. We'd also like to help you recognize citizens or businesses that have supported your education and prevention efforts. If you'd like to nominate someone, check our website. A description of the various awards can be found there. These will be presented in person in the Fall.

In September we will be offering a Fire Inspector 1 class in Huntley. If this is of interest to you, the details and registration is found on our web page.

For anyone looking for a Youth Firesetter class, one will be offered in Rockford on September 16 & 17. See the below link for details.

<https://www2.illinois.gov/sites/sfm/Events/Pages/YFSIPClass-Rockford.aspx>

On November 9 and 10 the IFIA will be offering a two-day basic Fire Alarm Plan Review class. It will be presented by Warren Olsen, and held at the Roselle Fire Department. Due to each student getting plans to review, **this class will be limited to 25 people**, so register early. A description of the class is;

This class introduces attendees to the process of conducting a basic fire alarm system plan review. Students will learn the reasons why plan reviews are conducted and where model building and fire codes include, in their documents, the requirement that plans and specifications for fire protection systems, including fire alarm systems, must be reviewed and approved before systems are installed. The basic seminar primarily covers the requirements found in NFPA 72, National Fire Alarm and Signaling Code, for initiating devices and notification appliances and their correct placement on fire alarm system shop drawings. The seminar introduces the concept of circuits and pathways as well as the calculations used for notification appliance circuits and battery standby. This seminar would be a benefit to individuals who have little or no fire alarm plan review or design experience; or, for the reviewer that conducts infrequent fire alarm plan reviews and would like refresher training.

Our next mini-seminar is on September 24, from 0800 – 1200, and it will be on Fire Investigation. The class will be virtual and will only cost \$25. Registration is available on the IFIA website at www.IllinoisFireInspectors.org. *No manuals will be provided, so students must supply their own for reference and notes.* A description of the class is:

The class will provide an overview of the pivotal NFPA documents impacting fire investigation. The new edition of NFPA 921 Guide for Fire and Explosion Investigation (2021 Edition), NFPA 1033 Professional Qualifications for Fire Investigators (2022 Edition) and the new NFPA 1321 Standard for Fire Investigation Units which is in draft. This presentation will provide the attendees with specific information on the changes that will impact their fire investigations. The class will be presented by the Immediate Past Chairman of the NFPA 921 Committee, Member of the NFPA 1033 Committee and the current Chairman of the NFPA 1321 Committee.

The NFPA Technical Meetings were held in June (virtually). A vote was held on a proposal that would have removed the language that required AHJ approval for monitoring of alarms at a central station. The IFIA submitted a comment opposing the change. We are glad to announce that the proposed change failed by a vote of 28 for the change and 172 against.

The following are the latest recalls from the Consumer Products Safety Commission:

Children’s Nightgowns Sold Exclusively on Amazon.com Recalled Due to Violation of Federal Flammability Standard and Burn Hazard; Manufactured by Auranso Official:

<https://www.cpsc.gov/Recalls/2021/Childrens-Nightgowns-Sold-Exclusively-on-Amazon-com-Recalled-Due-to-Violation-of-Federal-Flammability-Standard-and-Burn-Hazard-Manufactured-by-Auranso-Official>

Children’s Nightgowns Sold Exclusively on Amazon.com Recalled Due to Violation of Federal Flammability Standard and Burn Hazard; Manufactured by Booph:

<https://www.cpsc.gov/Recalls/2021/Childrens-Nightgowns-Sold-Exclusively-on-Amazon-com-Recalled-Due-to-Violation-of-Federal-Flammability-Standard-and-Burn-Hazard-Manufactured-by-Booph>

UPPAbaby Recalls Adapters Included with Rumble Seats Due to Child Fall Hazard:

<https://www.cpsc.gov/Recalls/2021/UPPAbaby-Recalls-Adapters-Included-with-RumbleSeats-Due-to-Child-Fall-Hazard>

Children’s Robes Sold Exclusively on Amazon.com Recalled Due to Violation of Federal Flammability Standard and Burn Hazard; Manufactured by SIORO:

<https://www.cpsc.gov/Recalls/2021/Childrens-Robes-Sold-Exclusively-on-Amazoncom-Recalled-Due-to-Violation-of-Federal-Flammability-Standard-and-Burn-Hazard-Manufactured-by-SIORO>

One Twenty Clothing Company Recalls “Sovereign Athletic” Children’s Robes Due to Violation of Federal Flammability Standard and Burn Hazard:

<https://www.cpsc.gov/Recalls/2021/One-Twenty-Clothing-Company-Recalls-Sovereign->

[Athletic-Childrens-Robes-Due-to-Violation-of-Federal-Flammability-Standard-and-Burn-Hazard](#)

Academy Sports + Outdoors Recalls Ozone 500 Girls' and Boys' Elevate 24-Inch Bicycles Due to Fall and Injury Hazards: <https://www.cpsc.gov/Recalls/2021/Academy-Sports-Outdoors-Recalls-Ozone-500-Girls-and-Boys-Elevate-24-Inch-Bicycles-Due-to-Fall-and-Injury-Hazards>

Walgreens Recalls Disney Baby Winnie the Pooh Rattle Sets Due to Choking Hazard: <https://www.cpsc.gov/Recalls/2021/Walgreens-Recalls-Disney-Baby-Winnie-the-Pooh-Rattle-Sets-Due-to-Choking-Hazard>

American Outdoor Brands Recalls Caldwell Earmuffs with Rechargeable Lithium-Battery Packs Due to Fire and Burn Hazards: <https://www.cpsc.gov/Recalls/2021/American-Outdoor-Brands-Recalls-Caldwell-Earmuffs-with-Rechargeable-Lithium-Battery-Packs-Due-to-Fire-and-Burn-Hazards>

Harbor Freight Tools Recalls One Stop Gardens 15,000 and 30,000 BTU Tank Top Propane Heaters Due to Burn Hazard: <https://www.cpsc.gov/Recalls/2021/Harbor-Freight-Tools-Recalls-One-Stop-Gardens-15-000-and-30-000-BTU-Tank-Top-Propane-Heaters-Due-to-Burn-Hazard>

Rite Aid Recalls Rechargeable Handheld Fans Due to Fire Hazard: <https://www.cpsc.gov/Recalls/2021/Rite-Aid-Recalls-Rechargeable-Handheld-Fans-Due-to-Fire-Hazard>

Children's Pajamas Recalled Due to Violation of Federal Flammability Standard and Burn Hazard; Manufactured by Tkala Fashion; Sold Exclusively on Amazon.com: <https://www.cpsc.gov/Recalls/2021/Childrens-Pajamas-Recalled-Due-to-Violation-of-Federal-Flammability-Standard-and-Burn-Hazard-Manufactured-by-Tkala-Fashion-Sold-Exclusively-on-Amazon-com>

Birkenstock USA Recalls Kids' Mogami Sandals Due to Choking Hazard: <https://www.cpsc.gov/Recalls/2021/Birkenstock-USA-Recalls-Kids-Mogami-Sandals-Due-to-Choking-Hazard>

Check the website for the following upcoming events:

- August 22 – State Fair
- Sept. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 – Insp 1 at Huntley FPD
- Sept. 24 – Fire Investigation – virtual
- Nov 9 – 10 – Basic Fire Alarm Plan Review at Roselle Fire Dept.