

Press Release

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Hearth Systems Reference Manuals Updated for 2005 EXPO

Atlanta, GA – The Gas and the Woodburning Hearth Systems Reference Manuals have been updated for 2005 and are available from the HEARTH Education Foundation. In compliance with nationally recognized procedures relevant to technical certifications, these manuals are revised periodically to reflect the most current information and technical product improvements

“It’s important that the many industry professionals who are coming up on the need to renew their certifications study the new, second edition before taking the exam,” stressed Sue Kalish, Executive Director of NFI.

In the Gas Hearth Systems manual, some of the changes include more detailed information on appliance and venting installation, the latest technology including new DC voltage electronic valves, specific code references for National and International Fuel Gas Codes, comprehensive information on combustion air requirements including code requirements and new calculation methods for volume and openings, new illustrations, a new section on interpreting code regulations and manufacturers’ instructions, text more coordinated with the NFI exam review, and generally streamlined for information delivered efficiently.

In the Woodburning Hearth Systems manual, revisions include new maximum size requirements for masonry flues serving woodburning appliances, more detailed information about appliance and venting installation, specific code references for International Residential Code and NFPA 211, new illustrations, and text more coordinated with the NFI exam review.

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To renew NFI certification in Gas or Woodburning, hearth professional can purchase the brand new study manual, complete with new codes and technical advances, a 2-hour review course, and the exam for only \$269. Those EXPO attendees at the Atlanta industry show who may be new to NFI certification have purchased the new study manual, a 6-hour review course at EXPO, and exam for \$349.

Courses and exam opportunities exist throughout the country at regional HPBA affiliate and manufacturer events. In addition, there are over 700 LaserGrade testing locations where those who simply wish to take the exam may do so close to home.

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