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MECHANICAL LICENSING BOARD

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Fuel Gas Fitting Licensing Renewal Clarification Policy

Whereas: The licensing renewal Rules of Saf-Mec 400 took effect on July 1st, 2015, this created some confusion with a change in the continuing education requirements for fuel gas fitting licensing renewal. This document will serve to clarify the differences between the renewal rules of Saf-C 8000 and Saf-Mec 400.

The previous licensing renewal requirements of Saf-C 8000 required all fuel gas fitting licensees to obtain 3 hours of code related training and 5 hours of trade related training for each two year licensing cycle. In an attempt to unify training between licensing disciplines, the Mechanical Licensing Board revised these requirements to mandate 6 hours of code related training approved by the Board for each licensing renewal period. This mandate became effective on July 1st, 2015 when the final adopted version of Saf-Mec 400 was approved.

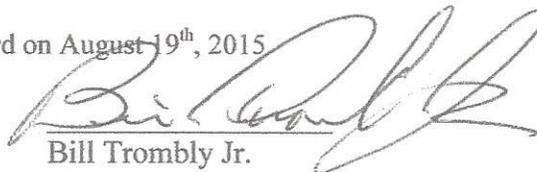
This presents a dilemma for some fuel gas fitting licensees that have already completed their required training prior to July 1st, 2015. For those individuals who have completed their training obligation prior to July 1, 2015 the Mechanical Licensing Board offers the following clarification;

The adoption of NH RSA 153:27 through 153:37 mandated that the existing Rules of Saf-C 8000 remain in effect until superseded by new licensing rules. Those Rules are now found in Saf-Mec 400. For all fuel gas fitting licensees that can demonstrate proof of completion of their **five hours of elective** continuing education requirements of Saf-C 8008.02 **prior to July 1, 2015;** they may submit that dated documentation as proof of meeting the requirements for licensing renewal as-specified in Saf-Mec 404.01.

This clarification policy shall remain in effect until June 30th, 2017 allowing all fuel gas fitting licensees that renewed prior to July 1, 2015 the opportunity to use their training certificates obtained in accordance with Saf-C 8008.02 and before the Saf-Mec 400 enactment date.

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