

2021 NFPA Technical Meeting coming to a Computer Near You!

The 2021 NFPA Technical Meeting will not occur on a single date in a traditional meeting form. **The meeting session is planned to be open from June 14th through June 25th** to allow NFPA members and the public to express positions on each certified amending motion (“CAM”), as described in the Temporary 2021 Rules. **Debate will officially close at 8:00 p.m. (EST) on Friday June 25th, unless otherwise announced.** Each responsible technical committee, correlating committee and authorized maker of a CAM will be provided the opportunity to provide a position statement related to each CAM to open the debate. These statements will remain available for review throughout the course of the Technical Meeting.

During the meeting session, NFPA Members and interested public stakeholders are encouraged to participate in debate on CAMs by submitting position statements (accessed by clicking “Join the Debate” below). All submitted position statements will be publicly posted and updated daily. There is no registration or fee required to participate in the debate. All participants will, however, be prompted to create an NFPA profile, or use an existing one, before submitting position statements in the debate. To allow for full consideration of views and objections, all participants are encouraged to engage in debate by responding to position statements, acknowledging the name and date stamp of the position statement being supported or countered. There is no cost to create a profile or for participation in the electronic debate.

Once debate closes for the 2021 session, eligible NFPA members* who have registered for the electronic 2021 NFPA Technical Meeting will have the opportunity to vote on all CAMs. **Registration is planned to be open from May 19th through Noon (EST) July 2nd for eligible NFPA Members to register to vote.** To participate in the voting of CAMs, eligible NFPA Members must register. NFPA has again reduced the Technical Meeting registration fee to \$50. To register, simply click “Register”. Once registered, you will receive instructions to download the voting application and information on how to electronically vote. **Voting is planned to be open from June 28th through July 2nd (closing at 8:00 p.m. EST).** Following the close of the voting period, **NFPA will publicly post all results on nfpa.org/2021techsession no later than July 6th.** Any successful CAMs will be forwarded to the responsible committee(s) for ballot (if applicable) and in accordance with the *Regulations Governing the Development of NFPA Standards*.

If a CAM successfully passes the membership vote, follow-up motions will be handled as appeals in 2021. Anyone who desires to make a follow-up motion can do so by submitting an appeal to the Standards Council at stads_admin@nfpa.org. All follow-up motions and appeals regarding CAMs will be scheduled for presentation, consideration and deliberation by the Standards Council during its meeting scheduled for August 24th-26th, 2021.

For more information and answers regarding this year’s event, please refer to the FAQs posted on the 2021 Tech Session page and check back for the posting of the Motions Committee Report and Agenda scheduled for posting on May 19th.

If you need additional assistance, please email techsession@nfpa.org.

We look forward to another successful Technical Meeting and thank-you for your participation.

*Anyone who has been a continuously active member of the association since December 27, 2020.