

Air Conditioning Contractors Association

News & Views

Apr. 2025

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ORACCA Board & Member Meeting

April 3rd, 2025 - 11:30AM



Contractor Roundtable

Do You Have a Retirement plan or a viable succession strategy?

Join us for an insightful session hosted by John Karasaki of PGE, where we will explore advanced planning strategies for transitioning your business to the next generation, whether that be your children or your employees. We'll cover critical aspects, including when to start your retirement plan, how to prepare effectively, and the execution of that plan, featuring insights from Loren Watts of Watts Heating.

Additionally, we will discuss a recent sale involving another HVAC contractor, outlining the steps taken and the future commitments associated with the transition, presented by Mark DeFrancisco from Heat Relief.

To conclude, we'll share a report on a company that has successfully passed into the third generation. We'll delve into how this remarkable transition occurred, the challenges faced, and the acceptance from employees, with insights from Keith Burton of Ben's Heating.

The April 3rd meeting will be held at NW College of Construction, 8111 NE Holman St, Portland, Oregon. 9218 beginning at 11:30AM. If you are unable to attend in-person, please join us via Zoom!

Join Zoom Meeting

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ORACCA Training & Testing

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Brazing Certification Test

Date: June 13th, 2025

Location: PCC-Swan Island





EPA 608 CFC Test

Location, date, and time for CFC testing is to be determined by proctor. Call for next test date.

608 CFC Testing Registration Form

Advocacy Issues



HARDI State Issues

HARDI's State Issues page provides insights into the evolving landscape of state-level regulations that impact the HVACR industry. A2L Refrigerant Building Code Map can be found HERE



Q&A with HARDI Advocacy Experts

March 25th | 2:00PM ET



Join us for an open Q&A session with HARDI's Government Affairs experts, where you can ask your most pressing questions about regulatory changes, tariffs, and policies impacting HVACR.

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Code Issues

BCD Building Codes Division

<u>Oregon Manufactured Dwelling Installation</u> <u>Specialty Code</u>

The Residential and Manufactured Structures Board has announced the beginning of the code adoption process for the 2025 Oregon Manufactured Dwelling Installation Specialty Code (OMDISC).

Code Adoption Process



<u>Major EPA shakeup could impact A2L</u> <u>refrigerant transition</u>

The EPA just announced plans to reconsider the Technology Transitions Rule that banned R-410A equipment manufacturing starting January 1, 2025. This potential deregulation creates both opportunities and risks for contractors.

Learn More



Mechanical Board Meeting

The next Mechanical Board Meeting is scheduled for June 4th, 2025.

Report A Code Issue

Coming Up!

ORACCA Annual Shoot Out



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ORACCA Annual Golf
Tournament



Join us Canby Rod & Gun Club, April 12th, 8:00AM for the Annual ORACCA Shoot Out!

Register Now



Join us at Glendoveer Golf Course July 14th, 1:00PM for the Annual ORACCA Golf Tournament.

Register Now











Boston Summit Preview Webinar

Learn more about the seminars and events happening in April. Contractors present on the webinar will be automatically entered into the live prize drawing.









March 19 12:00 PM CT / 1:00 PM ET



Health Insurance

Market Update

The 2024 - 2025 employee benefits renewal cycle is upon us and proving to be the most challenging in recent history. READ MORE



Educational Articles







Why Should Your
Business Have a

Reward & Retain

Top Talent With an

Stay or Pay Provisions

Executive Bonus Plan!

Upcoming ORACCA Events 2025

- Jan. 9th Hybrid Meeting Annual Utilities Update @ Northwest College of Construction
- Feb. 6th Hybrid Meeting Legislative Issues w/ HARDI @ Northwest College of Construction
- March 6th Hybrid Meeting Code Officials @ Mar-Hy Distributors
- <u>March 14th Brazing Test Mar-Hy Distributors</u>
- April 3rd Hybrid Meeting Contractor Roundtable @ Northwest College of Construction
- April 12th Annual Shoot Out @ Canby Rod & Gun Club
- May 1st Hybrid Meeting Energy Trust Update @ Northwest College of Construction
- June 5th Hybrid Meeting Energy Trust of Oregon Training @ Northwest College of Construction
- June 13th Brazing Test @ PCC, Swan Island
- July 14th Annual Golf Tournament @ Glendoveer Golf Course
- August No Meeting
- Sept. 11th Hybrid Meeting Women in HVAC @ Northwest College of Construction
- Oct. 2nd Hybrid Meeting Semi Annual Code Officials @ Northwest College of Construction
- Oct. 10th Brazing Test @ Airefco (Vancouver)
- Nov. 6th Hybrid Meeting Energy Trust of Oregon Update @ Mar-Hy Distributors
- Dec. 4th Hybrid Meeting Holiday Meeting @ Lennox
- Dec. 12th Brazing Test @ PCC, Swan Island

All Monthly Meetings Qualify for Nate (1.0), CCB CE (1.0)



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ORACCA Member Benefits

ORACCA is dedicated to raising the level of expertise in our HVAC/R industry.

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