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Certification Programs and How they Work

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Topics to be covered today

- Why do certification programs exist?
- Who develops the certification programs?
- How do certification programs get developed?
- How are certification programs Administrated?
 - Curriculum
 - Standards



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Topics to be covered today cont.

- Pitfalls of certification programs
- Internal operating of certification programs
- What stops conflicts of interest in certification programs
- ISO standard 17024
- ANSI
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Why do Certification programs exist

- Assurance
- Standards
- Value
- Proficiency standards
- Meet a design intent
- Prevent damage




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Who Develops the Programs

- Within the industry
- National associations
- Government
- Manufactures




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How do Certification Programs get Developed??

- Internally
- Stake holders input?
- Committee
- SME
- External to the industry (do a better job)
- Real world views vs. model views




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ISO/ANSI

- Who writes the questions?
- Balanced SME's development team
- Questions reviewed by industry experts
- Resubmitted back to the SME's
- This is the TABB way and meets ANSI standards




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Conflict of Interests

- Can a instructor give the exam
- Can the exam take place in the bosses office?
- ANSI addresses this by--




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Requirements

- Quantity Assurance
 - Written
 - Documented
- Code of Conduct
 - How restrictive
 - How responsible



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Tying it all Together

- ISO/ANSI
 - 17024
 - Conflicts of interest
 - Documents process
 - Oversight
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TABB

- Follows all ISO 17024 standards
- ANSI recognized Yesterday
- Only TAB certification body to hold that distinction
- First choice for your specifications to get the most for your construction dollars
- Do you have TABB in your specs?



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Thanks

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