

Nova Scotia Home and Building Designers Association

Membership Level Descriptions

Accredited Member - "Technical Level"

Required Components:

A. Applicant must provide documented history to prove 3 years active residential design, Part 9, NBC experience. This must be demonstrated to the Certification Council by use of Resume, work related drawings, etc.

B. Applicant must complete the following courses as endorsed by the certification council with a minimum 70% passing mark:

1. NSBOA: Building Envelope
2. NSBOA: Health and Safety
3. NSBOA: Barrier Free Design
4. Nova Scotia Power: General Electrical Design (two parts)
 - Part I: Exterior Design Issues
 - Part II: Interior Design Issues
5. NSHBDA: N.S. Building Code Act and Regulation
6. NSHBDA: Heating & Ventilation Basics
7. NSHBDA: Plumbing system design
 - Part I: Exterior Design Issues
 - Part II: Interior Design Issues
8. NSHBDA: Introduction to Structural Design
9. SolarNS: Solar Basics

C. Errors & Omissions Insurance: Applicant must show proof of Min. \$1,000,000.00 coverage to the association prior to issue of new annual stamp/seal.

D. Plans and Specification Review: Applicants who have met the above requirements are required to submit a complete set of structural and architectural drawings for review. The drawings are to be drawn to scale with applicable information as required to clearly illustrate and communicate information as required to service clients, contractors, estimators, component manufactures and appropriate planning and building officials. The applicant must demonstrate capability of meeting and maintaining drawing/specification standard as stated in the NSHBDA's "Plan Review" guidelines.

E. Application Form: Candidate Members must include a completed application form.

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Accredited Member - "Advanced Technical Level"

Prerequisite: Must have first attained Accredited Member, Technical Level certification status

Required Components:

A. Applicant must meet all requirements of Accredited Member, Technical Level.

B. Applicant must complete the following courses as endorsed by the certification council with a minimum 70% passing mark:

12. NSHBDA: R-2000 Program
3. Solar NS: Solar Construction Course
4. NSHBDA: Advanced Structural Design
5. NSHBDA: Building Science
6. NSHBDA: Detailing: Residential and Commercial Applications
7. NSHBDA: Heating & Ventilation Systems

8. NSHBDA: Site Evaluation

A – Site Evaluation (Classroom-based)

B – Site Assessment Workshop

C. Must take National Building Code upgrades