



Just as iron sharpens iron, one man sharpens another. Proverbs 27:17

Members of the National Association of Certified Home Inspectors (NACHI) are the most educated and best trained inspectors in the world and NACHI is committed to keeping it that way. Toward that end NACHI has taken steps to encourage member pursuit and maintenance of inspection excellence and we have accomplished this without additional charge to members. We believe that fees, like taxes, deter professional development and that the best way to encourage the continuing education of our membership is by supporting variety, accessibility and affordability in educational options.

NACHI members start off by fulfilling certain requirements before they can even apply for membership. They have access to the NACHI University which is free. NACHI's Ethics Obstacle Course is open-to-all and free. NACHI's photo web gallery of defects is the largest in the world, open-to-all and free. NACHI's online visual aid frames library is the largest in the world, open-to-all and free. NACHI's online exam preparation tool with a pool of over 2,500 multiple choice questions and answers is the largest in the world, and free. NACHI's online searchable inspector glossary is the largest in the world, open-to-all, and free. NACHI's Standards of Practice quiz, which reveals where an inspector may be veering, is self-evaluating, open-to-all and free. NACHI's online continuing education is free. NACHI, far more than any other source, provides educational events around the world, open-to-all, and free. NACHI refuses paid advertisements to enhance trust in our information. NACHI's lending library is free. NACHI's interactive, photo message board, with over 300,000 topics, is the industry's largest and most popular, very educational, open-to-all, and free. NACHI's online Inspector Examination, with over a trillion different versions, taken over 85,000 times, and which generates a custom inspector-weakness pie chart upon completion, is graded instantly, open-to-all, and free. NACHI's 1-day HVAC, mold and electrical seminars are open-to-all and free to members. NACHI's message board protects free-speech so visitors can determine the truth. NACHI publishes Dear NACHI online which gives detailed answers to specific inspection-related questions, is open-to-all, and free. NACHI provides product recall alerts. NACHI operates the Consumer Information Center. NACHI publishes What's New, an inspection industry update, online, open-to-all, and free as well as the Inspector's Quarterly newspaper. NACHI's 1/2 day mock-inspections of actual homes provide true hands-on training and are free. NACHI's local chapter meetings typically present technical speakers, are open-to-all, and free. NACHI provides report review services for free. NACHI's annual convention is very educational with 3 days of 6 continuous running classes, all free. NACHI's mock, student, parallel, and ride-along reporting forms are free. NACHI operates a mobile classroom which travels across North America providing education to home inspectors for free. NACHI permits all outside/for-profit continuing education providers to advertise their courses to our members on NACHI's websites for free. NACHI maintains a Question of the Day thread, open-to-all, and free. NACHI negotiates member discounts on nearly every continuing education provider's courses. NACHI's meetings distribute a wide variety of educational literature to all for free. NACHI's staff, committee members, chapter leaders, veteran members, special-expertise members, and advisory boards are constantly helping members one-on-one for free. NACHI members typically provide fellow members with free ride-alongs on actual inspections for free. Over the years NACHI has arranged for third-party providers to offer our members online training for free. NACHI employs some of the world's leading trainers and makes them available to members for free. NACHI's online roofing course is free. NACHI's online electrical course is free. NACHI does not charge for or unduly withhold approval of any organization's continuing education courses, even those offered by other inspection associations. NACHI's 208,000+ page website is itself very educational. NACHI opened the first of six actual House of Horrors in December of 2005 which provides real hands-on training and is due to release a virtual House of Horrors, an online wood destroying insect course, and an occupant hazard recognition primer, and What's Wrong Here? panels, all very educational and all free. NACHI's Online Inspector Examination's main purpose, besides testing competence, is to alert members to their weaknesses. The same is true for NACHI's Code of Ethics obstacle course, designed to alert members to possible infractions. And the same is true for NACHI's Standards of Practice quiz, designed to alert members to areas they are over and/or under inspecting. All three are pre-application requirements and all free. NACHI even has online educational inspection-related crossword puzzles, open-to-all and free of course.

A variety of accessible and affordable educational options encourages and enhances the professional development of all our members, but our most precious educational tool is our spirit of camaraderie. NACHI members continue to pursue, achieve and maintain inspection excellence in an atmosphere of members helping fellow members. Please join us in this spirit.

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