

RI BUILDERS ASSOCIATION
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CONTRACTOR DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

November 2026

RIBA continues to offer a variety of educational opportunities for members and employees! Also, all RI residential contractors may be eligible to take the classes noted below for free subject to enrollment in the Contractor Development Program.

Contact Margarita Robledo for course offerings taught in Spanish at 401-374-1044
All classes will be taught via ZOOM unless otherwise indicated
All classes are approved by the RICRLB for continuing education credits, unless otherwise indicated.

November 4 | 8am-10:30am Air Sealing Methods for the Energy Code
2 ½ credit hours-taught by Larry Desormier
This class addresses air sealing methods for the 2024 Energy Code. It will provide an overview of air sealing methodologies and techniques to comply with the 2024 IECC air leakage requirements including both the prescriptive requirements and air leakage testing. This class is an NAHB training module (#2) in partnership with RIBA. There will be a ½ hour Q & A following the class.

November 5 | 9am-11:30am Understanding QuickBooks
2 ½ credit hours-taught by Jason Khoury
After taking this course, you'll better understand QuickBooks and walk away with some tips on good bookkeeping practices.

November 6 | 8am-10:30am Residential Estimating Advanced
2 ½ credit hours–taught by Luis Rivera
This course picks up from where the intro to estimating left off. More advanced construction math and examples will be given for determining the costs of a residential construction project.

November 10 | 8am-10:30am Start & Grow Your Construction Business
2 ½ credit hours-taught by David Lucier
If you are looking to start or re-start your business, this class is for you. It covers all aspects of successful business ownership.

November 13 | 8am-10am Using AI in Construction
No RI credit hours-taught by Bill Parmentier
AI is changing every day and affecting many industries. But what are the best AI programs to help the construction industry? Attend this class to get the most up-to-date information.

November 16 | 8am-10:30am Critical Roof Details to Prevent Leaks
2 ½ credit hours-taught by Mike Guertin
Flashing and roof underlayment provide a last line of defense to roof leaks, but both can be defeated when poorly installed. Learn what the minimum code requirements are for step flashing, kickout flashing, drip edge and underlayment installation. See how self-adhering membrane can be detailed at critical locations to reduce the chance of water leaks and callbacks.

November 18 & 19 | 8am-3pm both days, OSHA 10 Training
No RI credit hours; OSHA 10 card is issued. Taught by Scott Asprey (IN PERSON)
Occupational Safety and Health Administration's (OSHA) Outreach Training Program's 10-hour safety course covers general safety and health hazards for entry-level workers.

November 19 | 8am-10:30am Home Modifications for the Aging Population
2 ½ credit hours–taught by Linda Bohmbach
Learn about the many modifications- big and small - that can be made to enable the aging population to stay in their homes. These modifications and more will be addressed in this class.

November 20 | 8am-11am Comprehensive Energy Code Update
2 ½ credit hours–taught by Larry Desormier
Participants Attention: Builders, Remodelers and Building Officials! The 2024 Energy Code is in effect.
Learn what you need to know about changes to the Code and learn options on how to be compliant. This class is an NAHB training module (#1) in partnership with RIBA. There will be a ½ hour Q & A following the class.

November 23 | 8am-10:30am Updates to the RI Residential Building Code PART 1
2 ½ credit hours–taught by Larry Desormier
The State of Rhode Island adopted the new Building Codes on December 1, 2025. This class will explain the changes happening with Rhode Island moving from 2021 RI Residential Building Code (SBC-2021) to the new 2025 RI Residential Building Code (SBC-2025). This session will cover Chapters 1-11.

November 23 | 11am-1:30pm Updates to the RI Residential Building Code PART 2
2 ½ credit hours–taught by Larry Desormier
The State of Rhode Island adopted the new Building Codes on December 1, 2025. This class will explain the changes happening with Rhode Island moving from 2021 RI Residential Building Code (SBC-2021) to the new 2025 RI Residential Building Code (SBC-2025). This session will cover Chapters 12-Appendices.

*The Contractor Development Program is sponsored by Real Jobs, DLT and the Residential Workforce Partnership.**

To register or for more information, contact Bob Salvas via email at:
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