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Code Council Releases Added-Value CD with IBC or IRC; Two Seismic Publications

New resources from the International Code Council for code users include an added-value free CD as a companion to the 2009 *International Building Code* (IBC) and 2009 *International Residential Code* (IRC); a new book, *Performance-Based Plastic Design: Earthquake-Resistant Steel Structures*; and a new reference guide, the *CodeMaster-Residential Seismic Rehabilitation*.



2009 IBC or IRC purchasers will get a free bonus CD—"I-Code & Innovation Toolbox"—with excerpts from code references and code change histories, quick summary descriptions, seismic design values and green building articles. The Toolbox CD can be shipped with the code book or downloaded from www.eCodes.biz.

IBC and IRC code users, especially those in the construction industry, also will appreciate the CD's listing of newly published, current and expired ICC Evaluation Service reports along with requirements, procedures and acceptance criteria. Another feature is a list of testing labs, inspection agencies, building departments, training agencies and fabricators accredited by International Accreditation Service.



Performance-Based Plastic Design: Earthquake-Resistant Steel Structures discusses design method and theory for use in design office work and can be used in university advanced steel design courses. It provides a step-by-step approach to design a building structure and achieve the targeted performance in terms of drift and yield mechanism control to result in enhanced performance and safety for a given level of seismic hazard. The book—developed by senior author, Subhash C. Goel, a 40-year veteran of behavior and design of steel at the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor—includes illustrated, detailed examples of common steel building framing types to enhance seismic performance compared to conventional designs.

A new reference guide provides a step-by-step process to determine seismic vulnerabilities. *CodeMaster-Residential Seismic Rehabilitation*, developed by S.K. Ghosh and Associates, Inc., includes 11 categories of potential seismic vulnerability in one- and two-family, wood-frame dwellings, including anchoring and bracing. Sponsored by the International Code Council, the guide was developed by the Applied Technology Council under contract with the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

To purchase these books and other Code Council publications visit the ICC Store at www.iccsafe.org/store.

The International Code Council, a membership association dedicated to building safety and fire prevention, develops the codes used to construct residential and commercial buildings, including homes and schools. Most U.S. cities, counties and states choose the International Codes, building safety codes developed by the International Code Council.

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