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The Construction Specifications Institute

CSI KNOXVILLE CHAPTER MEETING TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8TH

2024 IBC SIGNIFICANT CHANGES – COK TRANSITION FROM 2018 TO 2024

PRESENTED BY JAMES TENTE, CITY OF KNOXVILLE
CHIEF BUILDING INSPECTOR AND PLANS EXAMINER

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CSI Knoxville Chapter Meeting

Tuesday, October 8th

Time: 11:30 AM EST - 1:00 PM (EST)

"2024 IBC Significant Changes" Presented By James Tente, City of Knoxville Chief Building Inspector and Plans Examiner, 1 AIA LU/ HSW

In-Person Meeting Location:

Associated General Contractors (AGC)

Address:

[3306 Ragsdale Ave NW, Knoxville, TN 37909](https://www.agc-knox.org/3306-Ragsdale-Ave-NW-Knoxville-TN-37909)

SCHEDULE

11:30 am - 12:00 pm Sign-In & Networking

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm Lunch Presentation

\$20 Per CSI member (Pay at the door: Cash, credit cards, or checks are accepted)

Guests are free on first visit, then \$20 each meeting.

RSVP: Lunch Provided [Click here to make Reservation](#)

The Knoxville Chapter meets on the second Tuesday of each month, U.N.O. in Calendar. Guests are Welcome!

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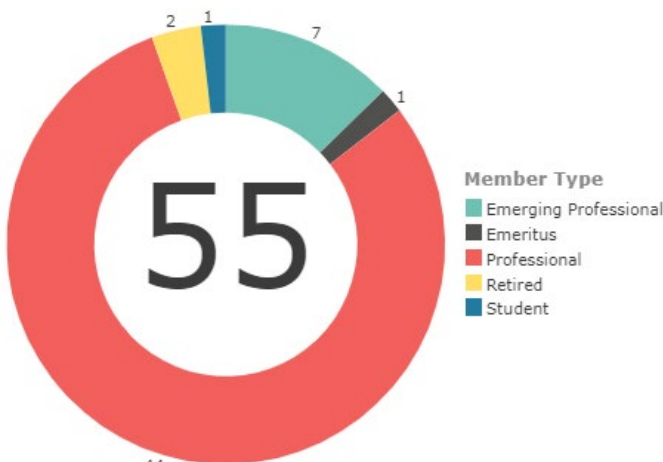


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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

OCTOBER 2024

- 01** **CSI Board Meeting** - Tuesday, October 1st
 Meeting from 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm (EST)
 Zoom Meeting

- 08** **CSI Chapter Meeting** - Tuesday, October 8th
Time: 11:30 AM EST - 1:00 PM (EST)
"2024 IBC Significant Changes - COK Transition from 2018 Code Family to 2024 Codes"
Presented by James Tente, City of Knoxville, 1 AIA LU/HSW
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- AGC Address:**
[3306 Ragsdale Ave NW, Knoxville, TN 37909](#)

- 16-18** **2024 CSI National Conference:** October 16th-18th
 CSI Knoxville Chapter will be celebrating the receipt of honors and awards this year in Houston, Texas! [CSI Conference Registration](#)

- 20** **2nd Annual CSI Wes Crow Golf Tournament:**
 Friday, October 25th
 Lunch: Served at 11:30 AM, Tee Time: 1:00 PM
Three Ridges Golf Course
[6101 Wise Springs Rd, Knoxville, TN 37918](#)

 Contact: Wes Crow, CSI
wcrow@johnsongalyon.com
 Phone: (865) 770-0727
 Entry Deadline: 10/18/2024
[Register for Golf Tournament](#)

- 26** **Decompression Hour:** - Thursday, October 24th
 An Informal gathering, 5:30 pm at **TBD... It's another Surprise! Look for the Flyer in your email!**

NOVEMBER 2024

- 05** **CSI Board Meeting** - Tuesday, November 5th
 Meeting from 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm (EST)
 Zoom Meeting

- 12** **CSI Chapter Meeting** - Tuesday, November 12th
Time: 11:30 AM EST - 1:00 PM (EST)
High Performance Commercial Wall System Design, Presented By Darson Buckner and Suzan Jordan, DuPont Tyvek

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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

WHAT A SHORT, STRANGE TRIP IT'S BEEN...

The monthly decompression hour was a success @ Kerns Food Hall. See the CSI Facebook page for photos. A big thanks to Lauretta for organizing this fun event.



Our monthly CSI meeting on October 8th, features James Tente who will be discussing the IBC 24 changes which the city of Knoxville will adopt in January. BRING A FRIEND TO THIS EVENT. Thank Tyler for this exceptional program.

October 17th through the 20th, CSI National convention in Houston. Chapter will be represented by Kathy Proctor, Susan Jordan, Gary Bergeron, Kathryn Fuller Richardson, and Lexi Anderson who will be speaking at the National convention. Reach out and congratulate Lexi for this major speaking opportunity.

October 25th, The CSI Knoxville golf tournament will be held at Three Rivers Golf Course. See the CSI Knoxville website for details.

Four Thursdays in October: Gary is teaching the mechanical ARE review class in an informal setting during lunch. We currently have four students taking the class. Please thank Jim Odle & Cara Knap @ OYSK3 and Damon Falconier for the use of their conference room for the class.

Let's do this! Onward and Upward! Come learn with us!

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COMMUNITY NEWS

[KNOXVILLE] BY DESIGN 2024 ART SALON
OCTOBER 1ST - 26TH



[Knoxville] by Design is quickly approaching, and the Art Salon will kick things off on October's First Friday by showcasing the vast range of original works of art created by architects and related professionals in East Tennessee.

This year, the work will be displayed at the Phoenix Gallery between the dates of October 1st - 26th, with a First Friday opening celebration taking place October 4th from 5:00-9:00PM. This gallery is open to the public throughout the week.

Please fill out the submission form by no later than **SEPTEMBER 16th** if you are interested in displaying work.

Location:
The Phoenix Building
418 S. Gay Street
Knoxville, Tenn. 37902

Submission Guidelines:

- Up to 3 submissions per artist
- *Due to the space limitations of the gallery, there will be a selection process determining how many pieces will be displayed. Please be cognizant of the size of your work in determining how many pieces to submit.

EVENT DETAILS

- Monday, September 16: Submissions due
- Friday, September 20: Curators to inform artists if their submissions have been chosen for the show.
- Sunday, September 29: Deliver work to the Gallery between 12:00PM-3:00PM. More info will be provided to applicants upon selection.
- Friday, October 4: Art Salon First Friday Exhibit, opens from 5:00PM-9:00PM

[SUBMIT YOUR ART](#)



Course Name:

2024 IBC Significant Changes – COK Transition from 2018 to 2024 Code Family

Course Number: CSIK-003
Provider Name: CSI National
Provider Number: S000
Continuing Education: 1.0 LU; 1.0 HSW

INSTRUCTOR BIO

James Tente

Chief Building Inspector and Plans Examiner, City of Knoxville

James M. Tente currently serves as the Chief Building Inspector and Plans Examiner for the City of Knoxville since 2018 after relocating to the Knoxville area in the fall of 2015 to serve as a plans examiner. Prior to joining the City, James served as a building inspector and plans examiner for the City of Naperville, IL from 2003 to 2015. From 2000 to 2003, James was employed as a third-party consultant inspector/plans examiner representing 12 municipalities across 5 counties in the Chicagoland area. James' focus on the study of model codes has led to his 34 International Code Council certifications, including Master Code Professional, Chief Building Official and Certified Fire Marshal credentials. Before joining the City of Knoxville, James held an unlimited industrial, commercial and residential electrical contractors license in the State of Illinois and served as the President of the International Association of Electrical Inspectors, 961 Suburban Chicago Division from 2003 to 2015.

ABOUT THIS COURSE

The City of Knoxville Plans Review and Inspections team will give an overview of the significant changes related to the transition from the 2018 to 2024 I-Codes focusing on the IBC, IEBC, IECC, IRC and A117.1-2017 standards.

HSW JUSTIFICATION

Participation in this course, presented by the Chief Building Official, on Significant code changes from the 2018 to the 2024 IBC Code Family provides attendees with a road map to understand where changes to the code will be most impactful. Understanding these updates directly impacts the safety and well-being of the public. Building codes are essential to ensuring structures are designed and constructed to meet current safety standards, address new environmental concerns, and incorporate advances in technology. By staying informed on these changes, Architects, Engineers, and Contractors can design and construct buildings that are safer, more resilient, and compliant with up-to-date regulations, protecting the health, safety, and welfare of building occupants and the public at large.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

1. Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to identify significant code changes to chapter 5 including horizontal building separations, new requirements in chapter 6 for mass timber construction, and a number of changes in chapter 7 and chapter 9 regarding fire and smoke protection and life safety measures.
2. Participants will understand the significance of accessibility changes related to new and existing buildings.
3. Participants will understand how to design and build structures that meet current safety standards, address new environmental concerns, and incorporate advances in technology.
4. The presentation will conclude with a discussion of the adoption, by the City of Knoxville, of the 2024 I-Codes in January of 2025, and how this code adoption relates to Plans Review, Permitting and Inspections. The discussion will be centered on changes to definitions in IBC chapter 2 that specifically impact projects that are typical in our area including: Duties and Powers of the Building Official, Change of Occupancy, and High-Rise Buildings.

LOCATION

CSI Knoxville meet at the AGC Building at 3306 Ragsdale Ave NW, Knoxville, TN, 37909. Lunch is served at 11:45 and the Program begins at noon. Reservations are encouraged in order to get a head count for meals. First time guests to our chapter can attend this Program Free of Charge.

To register as a first time guest, follow the link below and enter the code: **V366kFFI**.

https://csiknoxville.org/meal_reservations

We hope to see you soon, at CSI Knoxville!



CSI LEARNING

What I Learned from CSI... It's not the Heat... It's the Relative Humidity

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It was a late afternoon call from a convenience store owner which prompted a site visit from our office. The maintenance staff had visited the store to change HVAC air filters and found several product glass doors sweating. We found the air conditioning system thermostat setting at 65°, ice cream freezer at 5°, the beer cave cooler doors were sweating with a broken gasket. Condensation on the glass door surface prevented customers from making their selections before opening the doors. We have all been to the grocery store and selected our items before opening the cooler/freezer doors. Many of these grocery coolers and freezers have integral door frame heaters that reduce condensation after the doors are opened and closed. Many grocery store deli meat cases have fans that blow air flow across the glass surface to prevent condensation. The issue at the convenience store was that with all the high temperatures recently, the store personnel had lowered the thermostat setting from the normal 70°F setting to 65°F. This raised the relative humidity which resulted in more moisture content in the air. Then we had several days of significant rainfall after the heat wave. The flat roof membrane had several roof leaks which contributed to the problem. The number of customers entering and exiting out of the front doors did not help moisture content in the air either.

The HVAC units were originally specified as 8 ton capacity units, but 10 ton units were installed due to supply chain issues. One of the HVAC units was short cycling and the unit was not de-humidifying correctly. Condensate drain arrangement is suspect and if the



CONDENSATION ON DOOR GASKET #1

drain pan is not emptying, the condensate could be re-evaporating into the airstream...

There is a solution: HVAC balance report to ensure the building is not negative air pressure from rangehood, add electric reheat to the HVAC system, add hot gas refrigerant reheat, install a Rawal valve, <https://www.rawal.com/>

Other indicators of high RH: Curling paperback book covers, framed artwork ripples, paper sticking and/or misfeeding in printers, cash register tape not feeding correctly

RH analogies: Frost free freezers, automobile defrosters, morning dew on your car, fogged up house sliding glass door in winter time, steaming road surfaces after a summer rain

Google AI:

Relative humidity (RH) is the amount of water vapor in the air compared to the maximum amount that can exist at a given temperature. As temperature increases, air can



MISALIGNED BEER CAVE DOORS AND BROKEN GASKET

hold more water vapor, so RH decreases. Conversely, as temperature decreases, air becomes wetter and RH increases. This relationship is inversely proportional.

If you want to learn more about this topic and other Construction issues, please come to the next CSI meeting or contact Gary Bergeron at Gary@Kelso-regen.com.

URINALS DON'T HAVE TO BE UGLY

Urinals in a gardening shop in Ireland.
With thanks to Gardenig Humour.



CSI MEMBER NEWS

WHY SHOULD YOU TAKE THE CDT?

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Working in the construction industry requires a constant influx of knowledge and a high level of performance. Communication is key to successful projects throughout the design and construction phases, but it is incredibly critical between the key parties, typically the owner, designer, and contractor. If anyone is looking to boost their communication skills and realize further success in their projects' execution, the CDT (construction document technologist) certification is an excellent start to routing success.

The CDT is a certification that boasts one's ability to communicate construction documents effectively. This is a certification worth having on your resume and after your name, but it is so much more. Studying for the CDT exam is nothing minor, and the knowledge you gain from this exam will greatly impact your performance. The PDPG (project delivery practice guide) is a single source to everything you need to know for the CDT and is also a recommended supplementary resource for the ARE's Project Management exam, proving its inherent value to understanding how to project manage in the construction industry.

While studying the PDPG in preparation for the CDT, I immediately saw a transformation in my work performance. It first was subtle but very relevant. The terms and phrases coworkers and contractors used made sense. The context was there, but now I understood the deeper meaning, what needed to be done, and when things did not belong. I began to understand the value of specifications, how division 0 impacts biddings, and how the project manual acts like a field guide throughout the construction phase of a project. By the time I took the CDT, and succinctly passed, I could assist with writing, reading, and analyzing specifications, follow along and contribute to OAC meetings, properly coordinate

submittals and RFI's, and perform quality assurance to prevent conflict and problems from arising. What are the most critical lessons the CDT can provide, and is it worth it? The four C's of the CDT, clear, concise, correct, and complete, are inherent throughout the entire process of developing specifications and drawings. The PDPG explains in depth how these four principles apply throughout the 8 domains of a project from specific tasks to overall considerations. If there is anything to take away from the CDT, it is that construction documents must be clear, concise, correct, and complete. With this, a project will more likely have less bumps along the way, creating a decrease in cost and time dealing with problems that could have been avoided. So studying for the CDT can produce real savings in the long run, and in the short term, it provides a certification bolstering the proof that you are well informed and able to tackle the plethora of



tasks the construction industry hosts.

I am thankful to many CSI members for encouraging me to taking the CDT and guiding me along the way. Mike Young, FCSI, CDT, CCS, CCCA and Mark Ogg, CSI, CCCA, CD, PMP were particularly encouraging in showing me how critical the CDT was to growing in my career. My local CSI chapter members and coworkers, Kathryn (Fuller) Richardson and Stacy Colbaugh shared their enthusiasm, advice, and study resources. Thanks to the CSI Knoxville Chapter, I was motivated to study for and take the CDT. If you are wondering where to begin on your CDT journey, reach out to your local CSI Chapter!





PROJECT ARCHITECT

Join our dynamic and growing architectural firm, committed to delivering innovative and highly collaborative design solutions. Our projects are diverse, ranging from custom residential to restaurants, hotels, storage facilities and commercial shell buildings.

As a project architect with oysk3 architects you will play a key role in leading and managing multiple projects from conception, through design, navigate permitting and into construction at times. This position requires being fully licensed and five to eight years of project management experience with strong people and communication skills.

Responsibilities

Project Leadership

- o Oversee and guide the design process, for a majority of projects within the firm.
- o Communicate effectively within the firm, with various consultants and to all clients.
- o Ensure projects meet, or exceed, expectations set, including design needs, budget and schedule.

Client Interactions

- o Collaborate with clients to understand and help define their vision, needs and project requirements.
- o Consistently communicate any questions, issues or schedule updates.
- o Respond in a timely manner to all inquiries.

Team Management

- o Lead and mentor our growing team of interns and production staff.
- o Foster a team approach with a collaborative and creative mindset.
- o Encourage learning, asking questions and continued growth for all.

Quality Assurance

- o Support processes in place to provide a consistent quality in project deliverables.
- o Conduct team and project reviews to maintain a consistent, reliable and responsive environment for staff, consultants and clients.
- o Be open to constructive criticism as well as share it in a supportive manner.

Qualifications

- o Licensed Architect, held for eight to ten years.
- o Demonstrate experience in various commercial project completion in a portfolio.
- o Proven ability to lead and manage a project team.
- o Excellent interpersonal and communication skills., verbal and written.

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HINDSIGHT

PHOTOS FROM CSI KNOXVILLE CHAPTER
DECOMPRESSION HOUR ON SEPTEMBER 26TH
AT KERN'S FOOD HALL



HINDSIGHT

PHOTOS FROM CSI KNOXVILLE CHAPTER MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 10TH





CSI Knoxville Annual Golf Tournament

It's time to come out and play golf and network with friends. Win cash prizes, eat, drink, and let's have fun!

October 25, 2024

At CSI Knoxville Chapter, we are committed to promoting education in construction related fields. Proceeds from this event benefit the University of Tennessee, College of Architecture and Design, the CSI Scholarship and other local construction and design educational programs.

Date: October 25, 2024
 Time: 1:00 PM Tee Time
 Lunch: Served at 11:30 AM

<u>Contact</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Wes Crow, CSI	Individual \$120.00
wcrow@johnsongalyon.com	4 person team \$450.00
Phone: (865) 770-0727	

Please make check or money order payable to CSI: Mail payment & entry form back to: CSI Golf Tournament c/o Wes Crow Johnson & Galyon Construction 1130 Atlantic Avenue, Knoxville, TN 37917
 Credit Card payment accepted or you can register and pay on line <https://csiknoxville.org/>

ENTRY FORM: (Entry Deadline: 10/18/2024)

Team/Company Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone Number: _____ E-mail: _____
 Team Captains: _____ #Teams: _____ x \$450 = _____

 Players: _____ # Players: _____ x \$120 = _____

 _____ TOTAL = _____

EVENT SPONSOR FORM: (Entry Deadline: 10/18/2024)

Cart Sponsor: \$400.00 **Long Drive Sponsor:** \$200.00
 Sign at the registration table and on drink cart Sign at the tee box

Tee/Hole Sponsor: \$150.00 **Closest to the Hole Sponsor:**
 Sign at a tee box Sign at a tee box

Company Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
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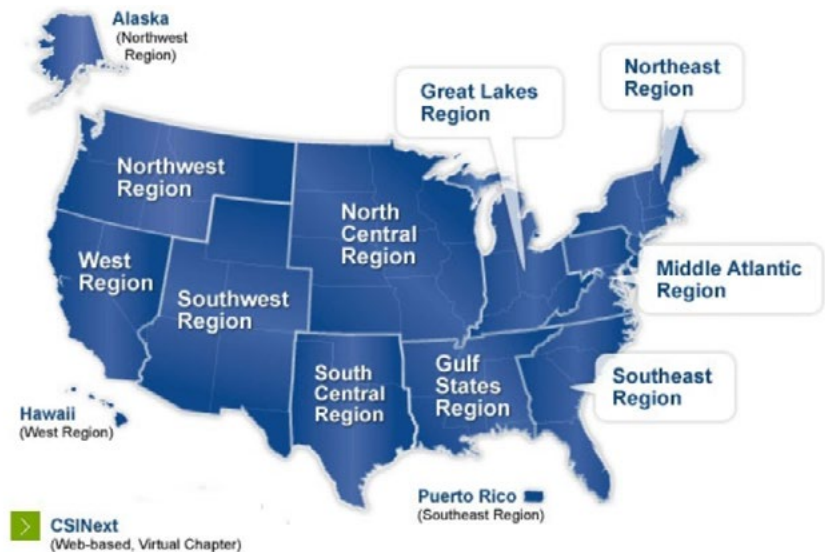
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Please review the listings on the back and enter the corresponding number(s) that best describe the following:

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Membership Dues and Chapter Designation

Membership Dues (See types of membership above) \$ _____

Home Chapter (See reverse side) Included

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Total (US funds only) \$ _____

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*Required to validate your enrollment form

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Enroll online at www.csiresources.org/join

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- Professional: \$375**
I am a technically experienced individual whose primary function is to author, manage, or communicate building information; to create, interpret, or use construction documents; or to educate, support, or assist the construction industry.
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I am an individual who has less than three years experience in any construction-related field and am a prospective Professional Member.
- Student: \$70***
I am a full-time student enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate program in a construction industry curriculum at an educational institution.

*Emerging Professional membership is limited to three years, at which time members must renew at the Professional level.

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