

Looking at an inspector's continuing education.

The State of Illinois requires that home inspectors acquire 12 hours of continuing education (C.E.s) every two years. For members of the American Society of Home Inspectors (ASHI) the requirement is 20 hours each year. It is worth noting that the State approves only certain classes for credit and these tend to concentrate more basic knowledge. Several advanced classes that I take do not qualify for the State's C.E. Due to the licensing of home inspectors, the State of Illinois began requiring C.E. credits in 2004. I encourage you to compare my education to that of other inspectors.

My submissions for C.E.s for the past ten years are as follows:

(* course work outside of Illinois and ASHI requirements)

	Illinois	ASHI
2001	N/A	26
2002	N/A	41.5
2003	N/A	37
2004	38	38
2005	N/A	47
2006	27	52
2007	N/A	51
2008	33	55
2009	N/A	118
2010	30	77

A breakdown of my yearly continuing education back to 2001:

Jan 2011	Foreclosed Properties
Jan 2011	Engineered Wood
Jan 2011	Heat Exchanger Inspections
Jan 2011	Chimney Evaluations
Jan 2011	Advanced Electrical
Jan 2011	Water Intrusion
Jan 2011	Hard Coat Stucco
Oct 2011	Mold Investigations *
Oct 2010	Deck construction
Oct 2010	Carrier heating equipment
Aug 2010	Grace Ice & Water Shield Installation
Jul 2010	Diagnosing damp conditions
Jul 2010	Exterior Insulation Finish Systems
Jul 2010	Pella Window Installations
Jun 2010	HVAC Systems
Apr 2010	Radon Measurement *
Jan 2010	Ice dams & ventilation
Jan 2010	Insulation & ventilation
Jan 2010	Asphalt shingle systems
Jan 2010	Plumbing inspections
Jan 2010	Plumbing - pumps & safety devices
Jan 2010	Specialty roofing
Dec 2009	HEPA filters and vacuums *

Nov 2009 Electrical inspections & defects
Oct 2009 Fireplaces
Aug 2009 James Hardie siding installations
Jul 2009 Electric
Jul 2009 Heating & air conditioning
May 2009 Indoor environment air sampling *
Apr 2009 Framing connectors & fasteners
Apr 2009 Water heater safety
Apr 2009 Mold insurance *
Apr 2009 Testing HEPA scrubbers *
Mar 2009 Indoor air quality course work - 34 hours *
Mar 2009 Foundation water proofing
Jan 2009 Crawl space and floor framing defects
Jan 2009 Foundation problems
Jan 2009 Fireplaces & chimneys
Jan 2009 Roofing materials & extreme weather
Jan 2009 Major home deficiencies
Jan 2009 Forensic inspections
Jan 2009 Water heaters
Jan 2009 Stucco

Nov 2008 Roofs - National Roofing Contract. Assn.
Nov 2008 Report writing
Oct 2008 Home energy audits *
Oct 2008 Garage O.H. door systems
Jul 2008 Masonry
Jul 2008 Composition siding
Jul 2008 Structural failures
Jun 2008 Radon reduction in new construction *
Jun 2008 Plumbing
Apr 2008 Roofing
Apr 2008 Siding
Apr 2008 Masonry
Apr 2008 Composition siding
Apr 2008 Structural failures
Apr 2008 Chimneys
Mar 2008 Decks
Feb 2008 Residential energy audits *

Nov 2007 Septic systems
Nov 2007 Reporting & risk control
Jun 2007 Plumbing
Apr 2007 Electric
Apr 2007 Engineered wood products
Mar 2007 Tankless water heaters
Feb 2007 Tyvek house wrap
Jan 2007 Flat roofing
Jan 2007 Basic household electric
Jan 2007 Chimneys & fireplaces
Jan 2007 Decks

Nov 2006	Residential fire sprinklers
Oct 2006	Low voltage electric
Oct 2006	Ground and Arc Fault Circuit Interrupters
Sep 2006	Plumbing
Sep 2006	Space Pac A/C systems
Jul 2006	Construction defects
Jul 2006	Roofs
Jul 2006	Illinois home inspection reporting requirements
Jun 2006	Structural framing
Jun 2006	Decks
Jun 2006	Adural roofing
May 2006	Air conditioning and heat pumps
Dec 2005	James Hardie siding products
Nov 2005	Electric
Oct 2005	Electrical overview
Oct 2005	Furnaces and flues
Jul 2005	Masonry preservation
Mar 2005	Carbon monoxide measurements and health effects *
Mar 2005	Chimney Safety Institute of America presentation
Mar 2005	Asbestos *
Apr 2005	Lead paint
Feb 2005	Ecostar polymeric slate installation specifications
Nov 2004	Structural deficiencies
Nov 2004	Heating and air conditioning
Oct 2004	HVAC basics
Oct 2004	Inspecting and reporting
Sep 2004	Inspection techniques
Sept 2004	Mold *
Sep 2004	Fireplaces
Sep 2004	New construction
Sep 2004	Commercial inspections
Feb 2004	Gas equipment requirements & venting - People's Energy
Nov 2003	Termites *
Oct 2003	Electric
Oct 2003	Plumbing
Oct 2003	Heating
Oct 2003	Deck connectors and fasteners
Sep 2003	Concrete & chimney leveling and repair
Jul 2003	Electrical code review
Jul 2003	Engineered lumber - Truss Joist McMillan
Apr 2003	Advanced appliance safety inspections - People's Energy *
Apr 2003	Air conditioning
Nov 2002	Appliance safety inspections - People's Energy *
Nov 2002	Illinois home inspector's licensing requirements
Jul 2002	Structural inspections
Jul 2002	Carbon monoxide measurements & testing protocols *
Jun 2002	Air conditioning

Apr 2002	Moisture
Mar 2002	Dura-Shield presentation
Dec 2001	Mold
Nov 2001	Plumbing
Oct 2001	Electricity
Jul 2001	Furnace heat exchangers
Jul 2001	Concrete
Jul 2001	Exterior Insulation Finish System (EIFS)
Jul 2001	Air conditioning
May 2001	Roofs
Mar 2001	Electric
Mar 2001	Exterior Insulation Finish System (EIFS)