

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:

	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

A breakdown of my yearly continuing education back to 2001:

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
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