



MCAM COVID – 19 UPDATE - MEMBERSHIP APRIL 17, 2020

This notice is to advise MCAM Membership and Stakeholder's of MCAM's response to Public Health Concerns regarding the COVID-19 Pandemic as of April 17, 2020.

ACTIVE LINKS



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IMPACTS & PLANNING

Cashflow, staffing, access to government programs? Please complete the MCAM Survey, to help us serve you better. Respondents will remain anonymous.

[SURVEY - MANITOBA CONSTRUCTION REALITY - COVID 19](#)

PANDEMIC SAFETY GUIDELINES - MCAM COLLABORATES WITH INDUSTRY PARTNERS

MCAM, Manitoba Building Trades and CLRAM have collaborated with OHS Global; Leading Infection Control Experts in the Industrial Environment, to create a Safety Guide for the Manitoba Construction Industry. The Guide offers contractors tools to ensure a safe work environment during the Pandemic. Providing Leadership, Safety and Confidence in the Manitoba Construction Industry for all Manitobans was the goal of this collaborative project. The following Press release and document were issued today with additional endorsement from the Construction Association of Rural Manitoba, Manitoba Association of Sheet Metal and Air Handling Contractors, Manitoba Insulation Contractors Association, Roofing Contractors Association of Manitoba, Testing and Air Balancing Association and the Manitoba Masonry Contractors Association.

Construction Industry Leaders Announce Enhanced Safety Guidelines Amidst Continuing Uncertainty

WINNIPEG – Manitoba's industrialized construction industry (ICI) and mechanical industry employers have partnered with Manitoba's largest skilled trades and construction labour supplier to enhance previously announced COVID-19 guidelines. The collaborating group of Construction Labour Relations Association of Manitoba (CLRAM), the Mechanical Contractors Association of Manitoba (MCAM), and Manitoba Building Trades (MBT) have partnered with OHS Global Risk Solutions LTD, leading infection control experts in the industrial environment. The collaborating partners are encouraging all segments of the construction industry to adopt the guideline as the new standard.

"We are collectively taking measures to protect our frontline construction workers by developing safety guidelines that ensure contractors continue to operate safely while allowing business continuity," said Peter Wightman, Director, CLRAM. "We encourage the whole of Manitoba's construction industry to join us in adopting these guidelines as a new standard to stop the spread of COVID-19"

This is an enhancement of MBT and CLRAM's previous guidelines released March 31. The document outlines industry-specific and public health guidelines, including administration of workplace hygiene, the provision of PPE equipment and pre and post worksite cleaning procedures. Worksites that do not provide these amenities or do not follow applicable guidelines could be deemed unsafe and workers may exercise their right to refuse work in accordance with the Workplace Health and Safety Act.

"The safety of our workers is paramount during this difficult time," said Sudhir Sandhu, Chief Executive Office for MBT. "Workers and their families should feel confident that employers are taking measures to protect them."

"Providing leadership, safety and confidence in the Manitoba Construction Industry for all Manitobans was the goal of this collaborative project," added Ramona Coey, Executive Director of MCAM

A full copy of "Manitoba Construction Industry SARS-CoV-2/COVID-19 Safety Guidance Document" is available here:

[CONSTRUCTION SAFETY GUIDELINES](#)

WEBINAR RESOURCES

MCA CANADA COVID-19 WEBINAR SERIES

Technology Selection 101: Secrets from a consultant - April 20, 2020 – 11:00 am - Noon CDT [REGISTER HERE](#)

Learn the secrets consultants don't want you to know! After 2 decades in technology, Jeff Sample is giving away his experience in this engaging talk about how to select software that your company will actually use.

You will learn the 5 step process and hear real-world examples along the way that you can take back to your organization now and implement yourself. Your company should be empowered to thrive during the technology evolution ahead and create a sustainable process for the evaluation, selection, and implementation of transformative technology.

The Business Value of BIM - May 6, 2020 – 11:00am - Noon CDT [REGISTER HERE](#)

Mechanical and HVAC contractors use BIM in unique and intensive ways, and a new study by Dodge Data & Analytics reveals their degree of engagement in the US, the benefits they have experienced from its use and the challenges to increasing its use. Join Dr. Donna Laquidara-Carr, Industry Insights Research Director at Dodge, who will provide an overview of the findings of *The Business Value of BIM for Mechanical and HVAC Construction SmartMarket Report*. The data from this report helps to:

- Quantify the benefits of BIM specifically for mechanical construction.
- Help all mechanical contractors to better understand the road-map of the BIM journey and be able to benchmark themselves.
- Provide aid in establishing realistic goals and objectives for mechanical contractors at all levels of BIM maturity.
- Articulate the path ahead for the industry and the ever-growing role of the technology-driven mechanical contractor.

Focusing a message to software vendors about the specific needs of mechanical contractors to advance their use of and the value they receive from BIM and related technologies.

PREVIOUSLY RECORDED WEBINARS

[Dealing with Labour Issues During COVID-19](#)

[Cyber Security, IT and Remote Working](#)

[Operational Health and Safety in the Age of COVID-19](#)

[MCAC Covid-19 Health and Safety Guideline](#)

MCABC WEBINAR RECORDING

CEO Whisperer Cameron Herold has coached hundreds of companies through exponential growth – and many of those during times of uncertainty. Listen to renowned entrepreneur, author & Leadership Coach as he provided direction to Mechanical Contractors from Western Canada during the Pandemic. [Listen here.](#)

PPE and MEMBERSHIP MESSAGES

Tom Beggs Agencies is diving into the Digital world, and have done a complete online transformation! - [Click here](#)

Nitrile gloves - Are you looking for Nitrile Gloves (6mil)? Contact andrea@tombeggsgencies.com

Pancake Filter Life - When do I replace my 3M Particulate Filters? [Click here](#)

Research Video of Airborne transmission of macro & micro droplets - [Click here](#)

OFFICIAL GOVERNMENT LINKS

How the WCB is Responding to COVID - 19 - [Click here](#)

Provincial Website – [Click here](#)

Employment and Social Development Website, including critical information regarding Employment Insurance and Work Sharing Program – [Click here](#)

Canada's COVID_19 Economic Response Plan: Support For Canadians & Businesses – [Click here](#)

City of Winnipeg Digital Building Permit Submissions – [Click Here](#)

Office of the Fire Commissioner (OFC) - http://www.firecomm.gov.mb.ca/docs/its_covid_message_1.pdf

EXPERT VIEWS & CONTRACTOR RESOURCES

CFIB FAQ & COVID 19 & Completing and ROE – [Click here](#)

IG Wealth Management - COVID-19: Economic Relief and How to Apply - [Click here](#)

MCAC COVID-19 Resources - [Click here](#)

MCAM OFFICE UPDATE

As per the Public Health Order, the MCAM office will remain closed until April 28, 2020. The staff are still busy working on your behalf. You may contact office staff via:

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MCAM Annual General Meeting – Postponed – Date TBD with 30 days notice provided

President's Ball – Postposed to Friday, November 6, 2020

MCAM Education Week – Postponed to April 26 - 30, 2021