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Notice of Changes to Certification

To: Certified IGCC®/IGMA® Fabricators, Auditors, and Laboratories

From: Insulating Glass Certification Council (IGCC®)

Date: August 5, 2026

Subject: **IMPORTANT IGCC®/IGMA® Certification Program Changes**

The **2026 IGCC Spring Certification Committee Meeting** took place in **Lake Tahoe, CA, on May 5–6**. A copy of the meeting minutes and presentation is available on the IGCC® website: <https://igcc.org/meetingevents.aspx>.

Below is a summary of changes to the IGCC® Certification Program along with their respective implementation timelines and any immediate action, if needed, on the part of participants. **Please note that these changes apply only to IGCC® participants at this time.** The IGCC®/IGMA® and IGMAC® Certification Committee must review and approve the changes before they can be adopted across the IGMAC® Certification Program as well. Additional information will be shared with IGMAC® participants in the coming weeks.

Summary of Changes:

- I. **Fee Increase** – The IGCC® Board of Directors approved an increase to the **certification fees (3% yearly increase) and business account fee (one-time increase)**. Historically, the IGCC® has periodically increased fees to help defray the rising costs of doing business. To continue doing so and provide a more predictable fee schedule for participants, the IGCC® has approved increasing fees annually (beginning in 2026) by a marginal 3%.

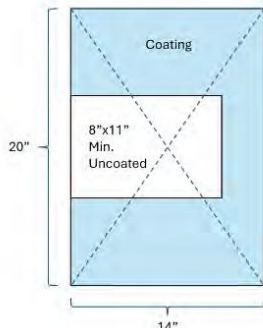
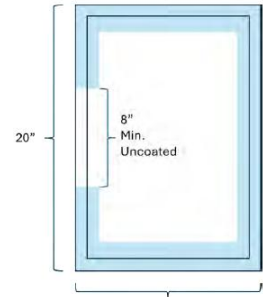
<u>Fee Description</u>	<u>New Amount (USD)</u>
One-year certification for first product	\$1,700
One-year certification for each additional product	\$320
Gas fee	\$240
Foreign inspection fee	\$1,080
Business account fee	\$500

Implementation: This change will take effect in the **2027 Annual Certification Year. Invoicing is scheduled to go out in November of 2026**. An additional memo will be sent out to all IGCC® Fabricators prior to sending the 2027 certification invoices.

- II. **IGCC By-Law Updates** – The IGCC® Board and legal counsel have reviewed and approved updates to the IGCC By-Laws (ID-08).

A copy of the newest IGCC® By-Laws can be found on the IGCC website: <https://igcc.org/miscellaneous-forms.aspx>

III. IGCC Guideline and/or Lab Manual Changes – (New Verbiage in Green):

Change	Details	Implementation	Action Needed
A. New – Addition of G.25 Applied Surface Coating to the Cavity Facing Surface of an IGU Lite Guideline	G.25 Applied Surface Coating to the Cavity Facing Surface of an IGU Lite: An insulating glass unit utilizing an applied surface coating to the cavity facing surface of an IGU lite shall be initially certified under the normal certification testing process. The application of the coating will be documented in the product audit report. Applied surface coatings would include, but not be limited to paints, coatings, and ceramic frit. A surface coating may be added to or removed from an already certified product utilizing the same certification number by applying guideline G.5. Tinted glass is not subject to this guideline and may be certified with the same certification number, as stated in A.GL.2. When testing to this guideline samples shall be fabricated with coating applied in the below pattern on the interior of one exterior lite to accommodate fog, frost/dew point and argon (if applicable).  If the applied surface coating will be placed only around the perimeter of the spacer, a void in the applied surface coating must be made to allow for fog, frost/dew point and argon testing (if applicable).  Only the highest print coverage coated product needs to be tested. Testing of surface coating that comes into contact with the spacer system will cover coating that does not come into contact with the spacer system. Per Guideline G.24, IGCC only certifies units with “vision glass areas”.	Effective Immediately	None

B. New – Generic Code Added to Reviewed Spacer List	Thermally broken U-Channel spacers will be documented using the generic code USPH	Effective Immediately	None
C. New – IGCC RAC Laboratory Audit Requirements Form ID-196b. and IGCC RAC Recommended General Maintenance Form ID-288	All IGCC® Approved Testing Laboratories that use a Rapid Assessment Chamber (RAC) for Provisional Certification will have each RAC audited in accordance with the requirements outlined in IGCC RAC Laboratory Audit Requirements (ID-196b). During the audit, the RAC Recommended General Maintenance Form (ID-288) will also be reviewed as a courtesy to help promote best practices. However, this form is provided for guidance only, and observations related to ID-288 will not result in corrective actions, findings, or nonconformities.	Effective Immediately	None

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at any time at igcc@amscert.com. We thank you for your support of the IGCC®/IGMA® Certification process.

Best regards,

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