# CONCRETE POLISHING COUNCIL MEMBER BENEFITS



AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CONCRETE CONTRACTORS ENHANCING THE CAPABILITIES OF THOSE WHO BUILD WITH CONCRETE

#### **Mission Statement**

Advancing concrete polishing contractors through safety, education, certification and networking

## **CERTIFICATION**

CPC Certification is the industry recognized qualifier of concrete polishers. With online learning modules, the program is both an educational tool and a measurement of polishing proficiency. Certification is offered at the Tradesman and Craftsman levels that require a combination of technical skills, decision making abilities, and proven work history. Call the office or online: www.ascconline.org/concrete-polishing-council/certification.

#### EXPERTISE

Telephone Hotlines - Staffed by experts who can answer your questions: Polished Concrete, Safety and Insurance, Decorative Concrete, and Concrete Construction.

Position Statements - Five one-page papers cover slab protection, slip resistance, coordinating concrete and polishing contracts, separation of semirigid joint filler, and effects of slab surface finish density.

Pre-Construction Checklists - Detailed checklists to be utilized in both pre-construction of the concrete slab meetings and pre-polishing meetings.

Polished Floor Maintenance Brochure - For owners of polished floors, Includes daily, weekly, and annual maintenance recommendations.

Floor Protection Banner - High resolution pdf for self-printing jobsite signs up to 3 ft. x 5ft. Lists precautions and best practices to protect the polished floor while under construction.

Contractor E-mail Forum - Contractors submit and answer business and technical questions via e-mail. Invaluable advice from your peers on everything from curling to sealers to time sheets to vehicle use. ASCC members only, Web-based archive contains all Q & A.

Mentor Program - The ASCC Mentor Program unites seasoned concrete construction professionals and associate members with members with less experience, to share knowledge and experience.

Mentor Advisory Board - This group of hand-selected contractors provides advice to members who don't have the need for a full-time mentor, but could use the experience and counsel of an experienced counterpart.

#### **NETWORKING**

Networking - Annual events and committee meetings provide members the opportunity to meet with other outstanding contractors and suppliers. Committees include Technical, Education & Training, Finishing, Paving, Emerging Leaders, Membership, Certification and more.

MIX Groups - Management Information eXchange (MIX) Groups are a way for owners of concrete construction firms to meet and share best practices without violating Antitrust laws. Each MIX Group is made up of owners/presidents/CEOs of five to ten non-competing contracting companies. They range in size from small contractors to large companies performing everything from paving to superflat floors to high-rise construction. All have an interest in improving their businesses. MIX orientations form new groups in the spring and fall.

#### SAFETY

Safety Manual - This 300+ page, comprehensive manual can be used as your basic safety program. Provided electronically, you can customize and print as needed for your company. First file provided FREE to ASCC members. Extra copies are available on flash drive to members for \$25.00 each (\$75.00 each for non-members).

Polished Concrete Safety - Job Hazard Analysis (JHAs) for specific polished concrete tasks such as Surface Preparation and Epoxy Coatings. Click on the Safety tab at www.ascconline.org  $\rightarrow$  Publications  $\rightarrow$  Job Hazard Analysis Template.

# **EDUCATION**

Tradesman Manuel - A manual to help the polisher prepare for the CPC Tradesman Certification exam. Also serves as an excellent overview of the polished concrete industry and what it takes to produce successful floors. Covers safety, polished concrete, grinders/equipment, diamond tooling, maximum refinement, chemicals, concrete, CPC Position Statements and a glossary.

Polished Concrete Appearance & Aggregate Exposure Charts - Set industry standards that support polishing contractors. Available online: ascconline.org/concrete-polishing-council/technical-documents

Webinars - 45-minute monthly webinars provide members access to speakers and topics from the comfort of their offices. A mix of business and technical topics have included Hardhats to Helmets, Contradictions in Polishing Specifications, Protecting Yourself from Slab Performance Callbacks, Accuracy and Productivity in Estimating, Approaching Business as a Process, Decorative Concrete Applications and Finishes, and Managing Change Orders. Webinars are archived on the website for members only.

A Guide to Selecting a Concrete Contractor - Provides the small to medium-sized contractor a checklist of items such as references, drawings, safety practices, insurance coverage, etc., that allows potential customers to compare what your company offers with the competition. This simple brochure emphasizes that contractor selection should be determined by pre-planning, experience, quality of work and track record, not just price. One copy FREE to members

## **INFORMATION**

Monthly Newsletter - Keeps you current with ASCC activities of value to you and your company. Available electronically.

Member Directory - The ASCC Member Directory lists all members of the ASCC by company name, delegate and alternate member names; includes all contact information.

Magazine Subscriptions - FREE subscriptions to Concrete International and Concrete Contractor keep you and key personnel current with concrete construction technology and business issues.

#### DISCOUNTS

Member discounts on ASCC events, World of Concrete registration and seminars, plus valuable industry and technical publications through the ASCC bookstore. In addition, a number of ASCC member suppliers provide discounts to ASCC members.

# ANNUAL EVENTS

Annual Conference - This fall event brings together owners and managers, project foremen and superintendents, estimators, safety directors, and other company managers for seminars, roundtable discussions, demonstrations, valuable networking and social outings. Event features the ASCC Safety and Decorative Concrete Awards ceremony.

Concrete Executive Leadership Forum - A unique opportunity each summer to exchange ideas, learn new management and leadership techniques and develop friendships with CEOs, owners and managers from the country's leading concrete construction companies.

World of Concrete - ASCC takes advantage of the major concrete event to host its Annual Meeting, committee meetings, a preshow party, and other networking opportunities. We host two booths and are a co-sponsor of the convention. ASCC members are notable speakers for WOC seminars.

# SPECIALTY COUNCILS

Decorative Concrete Council - The DCC educates contractors on the technical and business aspects of decorative concrete contracting. The Council also promotes decorative concrete to designers, owners and other end users.

Demonstrations and seminars at ASCC Annual Conference

Awards competition Community Projects

Discounted and **FREE** decorative publications

Manufacturers' Advisory Council - The board of this associate member Council advises the ASCC on how the organization can provide the best value to its vendor members. The MAC has a strong voice in all sponsorship decisions that directly affect these companies.

Safety & Risk Management Council - This Council educates and provides materials to contractors on all aspects of safety relating to concrete contracting and insurance matters. The Council also provides oversight to ASCC on publications, demonstrations, etc. All members of ASCC are welcome to join the SRMC.

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