

Plan to Participate! MOPIA coming to your Town



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MOPIA is once again hosting our popular free breakfast or lunch sessions across Manitoba to hear and engage with our stakeholders, bringing forth emerging industry trends and potential regulatory issues. Environment Officers from the Department of Sustainable Development, Education and Training, Transport Canada and other guests have participated to help answer questions and we look forward to their possible involvement again this year.

If you can't make a session, we would alternatively meet at your workplace to discuss issues with your staff or coworkers to ensure they are working in compliance with Manitoba's ODS Regulation.

The sessions are usually about 1 hour in length so as not to cut into your work day schedule much and include a light meal and snacks. Send us an email if you have some ideas for locations and topics you'd like discussed. Mark your calendar for:

Winnipeg	June 8	Cindy K Rec Ctr	7:30 am
Steinbach	June 13	Days Inn	12 noon
Winkler / Morden	June 14	Days Inn	12 noon
Portage la Prairie	June 15	Super 8	12 noon
Dauphin	June 19	Super 8	12 noon
Brandon	June 20	ACC Len Evans	12 noon
Neepawa	June 21	Bay Hill Inns	12 noon
Selkirk	June 22	Canalta	12 noon
Russell	June 27	Russell Inn	12 noon
Winnipeg	June 29	Cindy K Rec Ctr	12 noon
Gimli	July 6	TBA	
Thompson	July 25	TBA	
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Visit our website and register on-line or simply email or call us to confirm so we know how many seats and food to order.

New Certification Cards Being Issued to all Technicians



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MOPIA has already begun issuing the new 2017-18 wallet size certification cards to persons/technicians who have renewed their certification.

The new cards for 2017-2018 have a new graphic and the name and certification number of the person certified. All wholesalers and distributors (anyone selling regulated refrigerants and any new or used air conditioning or refrigeration parts or equipment) must record/keep records of the certification number they are selling the item(s) to. Anyone servicing the gas (refrigerant) side of the various regulated A/C and/or HVACR systems also requires it.

Certification Training Happening in Winnipeg and Brandon



Botho Kramer, former RRC Instructor, seen above training students for MOPIA

MOPIA will be offering the next one-day certification class in Winnipeg on Saturday, June 10 and in Brandon, Tuesday, June 20. More dates will be added upon need/applicants.

Anyone working on A/C or HVACR systems handling regulated products and refrigerants must have this certification or they risk penalties of up to \$50,000 and/or imprisonment not exceeding six months on a first offence.





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Residential Provincial Advisory Committee Nominees Sought...

The Apprenticeship and Certification Board of Apprenticeship Manitoba (www.gov.mb.ca/wd/apprenticeship/index.html) Is accepting Employee representatives for the Residential Air Conditioning Mechanic sector. You are invited to nominate employee representatives for appointment to this Provincial Advisory Committee (PAC).

The Apprenticeship and Certification Board works in partnership with its PACs and Apprenticeship Manitoba to guide and coordinate an accessible, current, and responsive apprenticeship training and certification system. This unique trade training system is based on a foundation of industry expertise, and is very much dependent upon the knowledge and recommendations of those who work in various related industrys. The RACM (Residential trade) is scheduled for regulation and technical training review.

The Board's Nominating Standing Committee considers all applications received and appoints individuals to the respective PAC. Candidates who are not appointed to a PAC are kept on file for two years for future consideration. You may visit the Apprenticeship Manitoba website for more information and for the PAC Application form. Please submit applications to the Apprenticeship Manitoba Branch, no later than May 19, 2017.

HFC's entering a new chapter of phasedown in HVACR / Air **Conditioning Sectors**

In April 2017, Mali become the first nation on earth to ratify the Kigali Amendment to The Montreal Protocol. They are among the first to embrace the phase-out HFCs which will happen internationally, as they are potent greenhouse gases.



(and invariably the rest of the world) are currently liaising with the wide range of industry stakeholders on finalizing dates to restrict the various applications (i.e. production import, and use) of HFCs. HFOs and other alternatives are rapidly emerging to replace HFCs.

MOPIA Executive Officers Elected to Serve

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MOPIA's Board

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Directors of elected John Kubilanski as Chair, Michael Blackey as Vice Chair, Bill Grywinski as Treasurer and Meghan Skorodenski as Secretary for the organization. Each has experience and MÓPIA will benefit from their contribution going forward!



They each come from a variety of industry sectors. See the full list of MOPIA's Board members via www.mopia.ca

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Mali ratifies Kigali Agreement - Montreal Protocol www.unep.org/ozonaction/news/mali-ratifies-amendment-montrealprotocol-first-country-vowing-slash-hfcs-%E2%80%93-un

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