

2012 ACCESSIBILITY

STUDY COMPANION

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INTRODUCTION

This study companion provides practical learning assignments for independent study of the accessibility provisions contained in the 2012 International *Building Code*[®] (IBC[®]) and ICC A117.1-2009, *Accessible and Usable Buildings and Facilities*. The independent study format affords a method for the student to complete the program in an unregulated time period. Progressing through the workbook, the learner can measure his or her level of knowledge by using the exercises and quizzes provided for each study session.

The workbook is also valuable for instructor-led programs. In jurisdictional training sessions, community college classes, vocational training programs and other structured educational offerings, the study guide, IBC and ICC A117.1 can be the basis for classroom instruction.

All study sessions begin with a general learning objective specific to the session, the specific code/standard sections or chapter under consideration and a list of questions summarizing the key points of study. Each session addresses selected accessibility topics and includes IBC or ICC A117.1 text, a commentary on the provisions, illustrations representing the provisions under discussion and multiple choice questions that can be used to evaluate the student's knowledge. Before beginning the quizzes, the student should thoroughly review the IBC and ICC A117.1, focusing on the key points identified at the beginning of each study session.

The workbook is structured so that after every question the student has an opportunity to record his or her response and the corresponding reference. The correct answers are found in the back of the workbook in the answer key.

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The information presented in this publication is believed to be accurate; however, it is provided for informational purposes and is intended for use only as a guide. As there is a limited discussion of selected provisions, the IBC and ICC A117.1 should always be referenced for more complete information. In addition, the commentary set forth may not necessarily represent the views of any enforcing agency, as such agencies have the sole authority to render interpretations.

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