



# VINYL FENCE, DECK AND RAILING MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION

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## Grow and learn at Deck & Railing University

Are you in the deck and railing business or considering entering it? Want to learn from the experts to be sure you are building safe decks and heeding the relevant standards and codes?

If so, put Deck and Railing University on your calendar. AFA's Division, the Vinyl Fence, Deck and Railing Manufacturers Association, is offering its first 1.5-day deck and railing installation school in Tulsa, OK, March 10-11, 2009. It is being co-sponsored by Tulsa Technology Center.

Deck & Railing University will offer both classroom standards-based instruction on code requirements and safe deck and railing construction. It will also offer a hands-on installation lab addressing sub-structure construction, ledger board attachment, and proper installation of various deck and railing materials. The range of popular decking and railing materials will be considered in the sessions.

VFDRMA is tapping the best experts on standards, codes and best practices to develop and conduct Deck & Railing University. A leading example is Dr. Robert Tichy, Ph.D., Research Engineer, Wood Materials and Engineering Laboratory, Washington State University, whose primary research areas involve development of wood-based composites, building construction materials and systems.

In addition, school quality is being assured through the work of Dynamic Performance Solutions, a training consulting firm which is creating a formal training curriculum for the school.

The registration fee before February 18 for members of both AFA and VFDRMA is \$995, for members of AFA only is \$1,095 and for non-members is \$1,195. On or after February 18, the late registration fee for any registrant is \$1,195.

Note: Register early! The first ten registrants will receive a rebate so that their fee will only be \$895.

The cost of registration includes:

- 1.5 days of intensive training
- Classroom instruction
- Hands-on installation lab
- Expert instructors

This fee does not include hotel, meals or airfare.

To reserve a spot at the school, please contact Sara Wilson, [saraw@cmservices.com](mailto:saraw@cmservices.com), phone 800-822-4342.