

Floodplain Management Training Calendar September 2024-June 2025

Date	Time	Training Offering (Location)	Registration
Fri, September 20, 2024	10:00am-2:00pm	SEMBOA Annual Floodplain Seminar (Sandwich)	Learn more
Thurs, September 26, 2024	12:00pm-1:30pm	MA Model Bylaw (Virtual)	Sign up
Tues, October 8, 2024	12:00pm-1:30pm	Being a Floodplain Administrator (Virtual)	Sign up
Wed, October 9, 2024	8:30am-10am	NEBOEA Annual Conference: Flood Resistant Construction of the 2021 IRC (Amherst)	Learn more
Sat, October 19, 2024	10:20am-11:20am	MACC Fall Conference: Building Resilience- A Local Action Guide (Devens)	Learn more
Wed, October 30, 2024	8:00 am-6:00pm	MassFM Annual Conference (Worcester)	Learn More
Thurs, November 14, 2024	1:00pm-2:30pm	Substantial Improvement & Substantial Damage (Virtual)	Sign up
Wed, November 20, 2024	12:00pm-1:30pm	MA Model Bylaw (Virtual)	Sign up
Wed, December 4, 2024	1:30pm-3:00pm	NFIP Beyond the Building Code (Virtual)	Sign up
Wed, January 8, 2025	10:30am-11:30am	Realtors: Buying & Selling in the Floodplain (Virtual)	Sign up
Wed, January 22, 2025	12:00pm-1:30pm	MA Model Bylaw (Virtual)	Sign up
Tues, February 11, 2025	12:00pm-1:30pm	Being a Floodplain Administrator (Virtual)	Sign up
Thurs, February 20, 2025	9:30am-11:00am	Substantial Improvement & Substantial Damage (Virtual)	Sign up
Sat, March 1, 2025	-	MACC: NFIP Beyond the Building Code (Worcester)	More info to come
Wed, March 5, 2025	12:00pm-1:30pm	Understanding FEMA's Flood Maps & Other Products (Virtual)	Sign up
April 17-19, 2025	-	SEMBOA Annual Conference	Learn more
May 18-22, 2025	-	ASFPM Annual Conference	Learn more
Thurs, June 12, 2025	12:00pm-1:30pm	Being a Floodplain Administrator (Virtual)	Sign up

Please check back for updates to our training offerings!

Course Descriptions

Being a Floodplain Administrator:

This introductory course reviews the role of the local Floodplain Administrator (FPA) and the basics of local implementation of the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). The course is highly interactive with plenty of time to ask questions. Completion of the course offers 1 CEC credit from ASFPM for Certified Floodplain Managers.

MA Model Floodplain Bylaw:

Need to update your local floodplain regulations? This training will walk you through the current MA model floodplain bylaw and explain how your community can use it to meet NFIP regulatory requirements.

Understanding FEMA's Flood Maps & Other Products:

Are you new to using FEMA's Flood Insurance Rate Maps and Flood Insurance Studies? This course serves as an introductory to FEMA's flood maps and will walk through how to access, read, and understand FEMA's flood maps as well as the process of amending the maps, called Letter of Map Change (LOMC).

Flood Resistant Construction of the 2021 IRC:

For building officials: This course will cover the residential flood-resistant construction standards of the 2021 International Residential Code (IRC) found mostly in Section R322 of the MA Building Code, also in Chapters 1, 2 and 4. Related FEMA guidance will also be covered.

Substantial Improvement/Substantial Damage:

For building officials: Do you ever receive permit applications for rehabs or restorations of buildings in the floodplain? Brush up on the NFIP requirements for 'substantial improvements' in the floodplain. (This is often referred to as "the 50% rule.") Requirements for substantial damage post-disaster will also be covered. Completion of the course offers 1 CEC credit from ASFPM for Certified Floodplain Managers.

NFIP Beyond the Building Code:

Prepared for **conservation commissioners and staff**, this course is also of interest to local **building officials** and covers requirements for floodplain development that is not structures—tanks, watercourse revisions, fences, pools, recreational vehicles and more. Learn about your role in keeping your community safer from flood damages!

Realtors: Buying & Selling in the Floodplain:

This is a course for **real estate agents** to learn how to understand the flood risk of a property. Included is use of FEMA flood maps, flood insurance options and requirements, use of existing flood documents such as the elevation certificate and flood risk resources for your clients.