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### **The Modular Building Institute and International Code Council Come Together to Accelerate Modular and Off-site Construction**

The [Modular Building Institute](#) (MBI) and the [International Code Council](#) (ICC) are the driving force behind efforts to accelerate the use of modular construction and eliminate barriers in the industry by developing a series of modular-themed guidelines and resources for code officials.

“The current content of the I-Codes and referenced standards must be updated to address the rapidly growing modular construction industry,” said MBI Executive Director Tom Hardiman. “We are extremely pleased to be working with the ICC to help code officials become better informed on this off-site construction process.”

Tentative plans call for the ICC and MBI to collaborate on a series of guidelines and standards, including a model administrative program as well as more resources for the use of containerized structures.

“Off-site construction can provide real solutions to many challenges facing the construction industry today,” said ICC Chief Executive Officer Dominic Sims, CBO. “The Code Council looks forward to working with MBI and other industry partners to provide a catalyst for the application and use of off-site construction methods.”

The Modular Building Institute and the National Portable Storage Association (NPSA) are working together on an industry white paper regarding the safe use of containerized structures in the construction process. That white paper will be the introduction for working together with the ICC.

Already successful in getting new language included in the 2018 International Building Code specifically addressing relocatable buildings—a significant portion of the modular construction industry—MBI’s new collaborative effort with ICC will focus more on permanent modular construction, bathroom pods and containerized structures.

“We are seeing towns and states across the country struggle with how to address the increasing use of containerized structures,” said Hardiman. “It’s a great concept, but we have to be able to demonstrate that this is a safe process for end users, while also protecting the significant investment that has already been made in these units.”

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**About the International Code Council**

The [International Code Council](#) is a member-focused association. It is dedicated to developing model codes and standards used in the design, build and compliance process to construct safe, sustainable, affordable and resilient structures. Most U.S. communities and many global markets [choose the International Codes](#).

**About the Modular Building Institute**

Changing the Way the World Builds: Greener, Faster, Smarter. [The Modular Building Institute](#) is the international nonprofit trade association that has served the modular construction industry for more than 30 years. Members are suppliers, manufacturers and contractors involved in all aspects of modular projects— from complex multistory solutions to temporary accommodations. As the voice of commercial modular construction, MBI expands the use of off-site construction through innovative construction practices, outreach, education to the construction community and customers, and recognition of high-quality modular designs and facilities. For more information on modular construction, visit [www.modular.org](http://www.modular.org).