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May 18 Webinar to Ease Compliance with Quality Management for Certification

SCHAUMBURG, IL – The Fenestration and Glazing Industry Alliance (FGIA) will host a webinar entitled “[Quality Management for Certification: Compliance Made Easier](https://fgiaonline.org/events/283/webinar-quality-management-for-certification-compliance-made-easier)” on Tuesday, May 18 at 11:30 a.m. Eastern. During this webinar, attendees will learn best practices for developing and organizing a Quality Management System (QMS) manual, or how to improve an existing one. This webinar is complimentary and open to the public.

To qualify for certification under the North American Fenestration Standard (NAFS) or National Fenestration Rating Council (NFRC) specifications, in addition to third-party laboratory verification of product performance, certification licensees must obtain approval of their current in-plant QMS manual. The manual must contain written descriptions of QMS procedures as outlined in Section 16.0 and, if applicable, Section 17.0 of the AAMA 103 Procedural Guide and/or NFRC 700, Section 8.2.

To aid in QMS development, this webinar is essentially an overview of AAMA QMSUG-1, *Recommendations for Compliance with Minimum Quality Management System Requirements for AAMA Certification Programs Licensees*, more commonly known as the AAMA QMS User Guide Manual. FGIA Certification Services Manager, Fenestration, Jason Seals will lead the session, answering questions including:

* Why have a documented QMS?
* How should documentation look?
* How can licensees meet specific NAFS and NFRC QMS requirements for certification?
* What are the best ways to organize a QMS manual?

“This session will give recommendations for manufacturers setting up a quality management system for the manufacture of windows, doors and skylights,” said Seals. “The AAMA QMS User Guide Manual contains a brief summary of QMS terms and concepts, a description of AAMA minimum quality management requirements and suggestions for developing a program that complies with these requirements – all of which we will touch on during this webinar.”

[Register](https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/1591110287807674635) now for this webinar. FGIA’s Marketing team will live-tweet this presentation from FGIA’s Twitter account, [@FGIAonline](https://twitter.com/fgiaonline), using the hashtag [#FGIAwebinar](https://twitter.com/search?q=%23FGIAwebinar&src=typeahead_click&f=live).

**About the Speaker**

Jason Seals has experience in testing fenestration products both in the laboratory and in the field, as well as experience running the testing and certification program for a major window and door manufacturer and managing their in-house testing facilities. In his current role at FGIA, Seals manages the AAMA product certification, component verification and laboratory accreditation programs used by FGIA members and licensees to bring quality fenestration products to market.

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