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The City of Rehoboth Beach Staff is 100% Certified by the International Code Council

One hundred percent of the City of Rehoboth Beach's Building and Licensing staff have earned professional certifications from the International Code Council (ICC). Through rigorous testing, ICC Certifications ensure that staff have demonstrated competency in the requirements of the International Codes®, a complete set of comprehensive, coordinated codes used in most U.S. communities and many global markets for the design, build and compliance process to construct safe, sustainable, affordable and resilient structures.

The Code Council's certification program is the oldest, largest, and most prestigious credentialing program for construction code administration and enforcement professionals in the United States. The City of Rehoboth Beach earned the 100 percent designation through the Get Everyone Certified Challenge presented by ICC and Target, which is committed to building strong, safe communities and promoting education. In 2010, Target announced plans to give \$1 billion for education by the end of the 2015 fiscal year. Partnering with the Code Council to promote code knowledge is an obvious blending of these two initiatives.

ICC Certifications also demonstrate expert knowledge by staff and can assist in the department's future efforts to become accredited by the International Accreditation Service. In addition, individuals have earned credentials in specific trade or inspection areas, enhancing staff versatility.

City of Rehoboth Beach staff who have earned professional certifications include: Steve Kordek – Plumbing Inspector & Terri Sullivan – Residential Building Inspector.

"Becoming Code Council-certified is a significant personal and professional accomplishment, and is a key step toward enhanced professional stature," said ICC Board of Directors President Ronald Piester. "Code Council certificate holders demonstrate a confirmed commitment to public safety and building safe communities."

The <u>International Code Council</u> 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.

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