

Advantages for training providers and their organizations

- Easy registration.
- Easy-to-use system to post, edit, or update course descriptions.
- Opportunity to reach potential participants nationally and across industry groups.
- Simplified access to course information and descriptions.
- Easy browsing of the catalog of training programs offered and filtering of the listings by topic, location, and dates.
- Opportunity to browse training needs as expressed by potential participants registered on the site.
- A personalized "My Page" space to save your course descriptions and other information for future reference.
- Opportunity to discuss training and training needs with others (both those seeking training and those providing training) in a community forum.
- Site metrics.
- Automatic e-mail notification to potential participants.



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What is HONE?

An online training information exchange Web site. This Web site will help individuals from the primary and secondary wood products industries locate continuing education and training opportunities, such as workshops, short courses, seminars, and conferences. Registration, posting, and all other uses of HONE are free. There is no charge or fee for using this Web site.



Why HONE?

The Web site is called HONE, which relates to “sharpening your tools.” Only in this case, we are not talking about knives and saw blades. The tools we are concerned with are skills, knowledge, and information and the sharpening of these tools through training. These are the tools needed for today’s global and technologically-oriented economy. It is through training and continual updating that these tools are sharpened. HONE, the Web site, offers a mechanism to facilitate such training.

How Will It Work?

Web site users who are seeking training can either search for available training opportunities in the course catalog or use the e-mail notification system to be automatically informed of appropriate programs. The system can automatically match training preferences pre-identified by Web site users with posted training offerings. An e-mail notification will be sent to users informing them of courses that match their posted training needs. The e-mail will include additional information and a link to course details.

Participating training organizations can register available courses and programs online through the training services registry. The posted information will include course description, contact information, registration information, and other relevant details.

Advantages for trainees and their companies

- A single, timely source for training programs such as workshops, short courses, seminars, and conferences.
- Automatic e-mail notification of courses that meet your specific training requirements.
- Easy browsing of the catalog of training programs offered and filtering of the listings by topic, location, and dates.
- Opportunity to make training providers aware of your training needs or topics of interest.
- Easy link to training providers’ course details.
- Simplified planning and scheduling of training.
- Opportunity to discuss training and training needs with others (both those seeking training and those providing training) in a community forum.
- An easy-to-use registration process.
- A personalized “My Page” space to save course descriptions and other information for future reference.

