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IICRC Seeks Volunteers for Creation of Leather Cleaning and Maintenance Standard

LAS VEGAS – Dec. 5, 2018 – [The Institute of Inspection, Cleaning and Restoration Certification](#) (IICRC) is seeking volunteers to serve on a consensus body for the development of the new BSR/IICRC S340 Standard for Professional Cleaning and Maintenance of Leather Furnishings.

BSR/IICRC S340 Standard for Professional Cleaning and Maintenance of Leather Furnishings establishes a procedural standard for the professional cleaning and maintenance of leather furnishings. It is intended for use by professional cleaners, upholstery manufacturers, retailers, distributors, industry suppliers, specifiers, homeowners, property and facility managers, housekeepers, insurance companies and others.

Factors that will be considered in the development of the Standard include, but are not limited to: leather type, color, style, construction and use. These factors will dictate the specific cleaning systems and methods to be used based on reliable cleaning principles, review of available scientific and industry literature, as well as practical experience.

The cleaning and maintenance of leather furnishings is a niche part of our field in need of industry-wide consensus on best practices,” said Howard Wolf, IICRC Standards Chairman. “The new S340 Standard will provide a uniform guide for those who currently work in, or are looking to work in, leather cleaning and maintenance.

Those interested in submitting applications to serve on the S340 consensus body should visit <https://www.iicrc.org/BSRIICRCS340> for more information and to download the application form.

Consensus body members can expect to begin work on the standards by early 2019 with nearly all meetings being held online and via conference calls. The new Standard is expected to be completed in approximately two years. Complete applications should be emailed to IICRC Standards at standards@iicrcnet.org

About IICRC

The IICRC is a global, ANSI-accredited Standards Developing Organization (SDO) that credentials individuals in 20+ categories within the inspection, cleaning and restoration industries. Representing more than 47,000 certified technicians and 6,000 Certified Firms in 22 countries, the IICRC, in partnership with regional and international trade associations, represents the entire industry. The IICRC does not own schools, employ instructors, produce training

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