



### WASA announces 2019 show

The Western Access Systems Association (formerly the California Operator and Door Association) is hosting its regional trade show at the Orleans Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas, Nev., on Oct. 4-5. This is the longest running and largest West Coast trade show focused on the door, gate, and access control industry.

The show will feature a bowling tournament, exhibitor demonstrations, classes, hands-on training seminars, and IDEA testing and certification. Register to attend WASA's regional show at [WASALine.org](http://WASALine.org). ■



### CODA is now WASA

In July, the California Operator and Door Association (CODA) announced that it is now operating under a new name: Western Access Systems Association (WASA).

Since the 1980s, CODA has represented the garage door and opener industry in California. Now operating as the Western Access Systems Association (WASA), the affiliate association represents gate, door, and access system professionals in California, Arizona, Nevada, and Utah.

WASA's President Justin Kha said, "It's long overdue, so I am excited to announce that we now have a name that accurately reflects who we serve. WASA will continue to focus on maintaining the integrity of the industry and connecting professionals and companies in the western states and beyond!" ■



### IDEA Announces Sales Training Class

In July, the Institute of Door Dealer Education and Accreditation said it will launch its Sales Training Program at the IDA 2020 Expo in Salt Lake City, Utah. The program is available to all industry personnel and will cover a variety of topics, including Creating a Sales-Driven Organization, Sales Skills, Closing the Sale, Managing Key Accounts, Ethical Selling at the Jobsite, and the Commercial Construction Process.

The cost for the full-day class is \$350 per attendee. Apply online at [dooreducation.com](http://dooreducation.com). ■

### Home remodeling projected to plummet

The pace of spending on home renovations and repairs is projected to slow down considerably by mid-2020, according to the Leading Indicator of Remodeling Activity (LIRA) released in July by the Remodeling Futures Program at the Joint Center for Housing Studies of Harvard University.

The LIRA projects that annual growth in homeowner remodeling expenditure will drop from 6.3% in the first quarter to 0.4% in the second quarter of 2020. Downward trends in home sales and homebuilding activity and the lower number of remodeling permits indicate that homeowners are doing fewer improvement projects.

Falling mortgage interest rates may incentivize home sales, refinancing, and, ultimately, remodeling activity, and the slowdown may soften some. The next LIRA update will be October 17, 2019. ■

Leading Indicator of Remodeling Activity – Second Quarter 2019



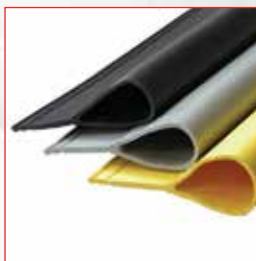
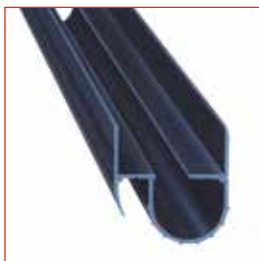
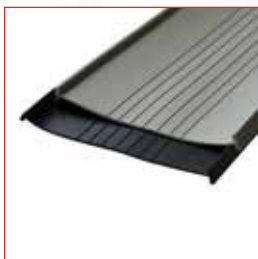
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## California update: CDOs should not be used in residential applications

The new California law that requires backup batteries on all residential openers states that the law applies to “residential applications of automatic garage door openers manufactured for commercial purposes.” Installers should take note that *commercial door operators (CDOs) should not be used in residential applications.*

The law, which took effect on July 1, does not permit the use of CDOs in residential applications. It simply requires the use of battery backup units in all new operators used in residential applications.

UL 325 operators are labeled and listed for the application in which they are intended to be used. Operators are also tested to meet the requirements of either commercial door operators or residential door operators. A few products have been tested and listed to meet the requirements of both. ■

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## NFPA 101 grille inspection proposal approved

This past June, the NFPA 101 Means of Egress Committee approved DASMA's new language for inspecting grille assemblies. The content is modeled after NFPA 101 language involving fire doors.

The new content applies to:

- (1) Grille assemblies in exit enclosures
- (2) Electrically controlled egress grille assemblies
- (3) Grille assemblies with special locking arrangements
- (4) Powered vertical-rolling grille assemblies that open automatically to a minimum height of 80" upon activation by alarm, loss of power, or by activation of a push-to-exit device.

Milt Prosperi, DASMA Rolling Door Division chair, noted that the new language will prevent users from inconsistently applying door assembly inspection provisions.

The proposal will undergo an NFPA 101 Committee ballot. ■

## DASMA updates seismic calculation templates

In April, DASMA updated its seismic calculation templates by modifying them to the latest ASCE 7 design loads standard. DASMA also created separate sectional door calculation templates for standard-lift and high-lift doors.

The calculation templates are Technical Research Documents developed for DASMA members and their dealer networks, design professionals, code officials, and others in their supply chains. They can be used as a safety check and for code compliance when determining loads on door components.

Philip Voegtle of Structural Support Services in Colorado helped update the templates. He said, "A design professional can enter door and project data and begin evaluation of design parameters in a matter of minutes, saving time and money."

Contact DASMA door manufacturers for help with calculations. ■

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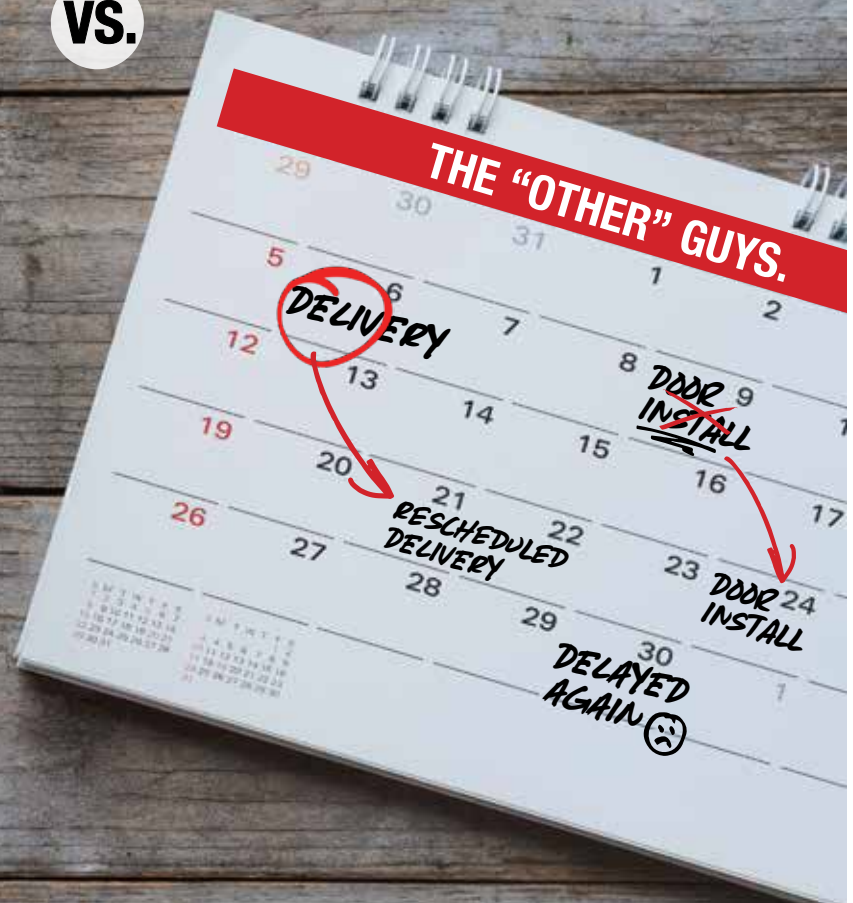
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## DASMA testing validates calculations

In May, DASMA successfully conducted testing to validate the load calculations of rolling slat doors when applied to rigid metal building framing. The test involved attaching weights to a 16' width of interconnected slats and measuring the resulting force to the simulated frame connection.

Joel Bonnell, a DASMA Rolling Door Division member instrumental in coordinating the testing, said that the DASMA Technical Research Document has been affirmed as a highly reliable load predictor. Bonnell said the testing suggests that when designing door frames, architects should consider the unique loads applied by rolling slat doors to allow for optimal performance and capacity.

The information was presented to the Metal Building Manufacturers Association in August for consideration on whether flexible framing testing could also be investigated. ■

## Energy Code proposal approved

In April, at the International Code Council hearings in Albuquerque, N.M., DASMA's U-factor proposal for sectional doors with one row of glazing was approved. The proposal (CE77-19) contains requirements that must appear in a footnote to any U-factor table applying to non-swinging doors.

Joe Hetzel, DASMA Technical Director, said the requirements are already in ASHRAE 90.1. "We are striving for consistency for sectional doors, specifically between the two compliance paths code users have for non-residential construction."

A final action vote by the ICC membership is scheduled for fall 2019. ■

## The most-used Technical Data Sheets

Page Views*	DASMA Technical Data Sheet
560	Wind Load Calculator
316	TDS 151 General Code Inspection Guidelines for Garage Doors
239	TDS 155 Residential and Commercial Wind Load Guides
177	TDS 190 Factors Affecting Spring Cycle Life
140	TDS 168 Automatic Vehicular Gate Opener Systems Guidelines

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