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Vinyl Siding, Done Right

VSI Certifies Installers, Updates Manual for Quality Vinyl Siding Installation

June, 2008 – Washington, D.C. – To equip the professionals installing vinyl siding on today’s homes with the most up-to-date information available, the [Vinyl Siding Institute, Inc.](http://www.vinylsidinginstitute.com) (VSI) has certified more than 3,000 installers and updated its [Vinyl Siding Installation Manual](#).

VSI’s *Vinyl Siding Installation Manual* serves as the core content for the [VSI Certified Installer Program](#), which trains and tests experienced professionals on the proper installation techniques for vinyl siding. The manual provides the basic guidelines for vinyl siding installation in *ASTM D4756*, the industry standard for installing vinyl siding, soffit, and accessories. Based on input from experienced installers gathered during its training courses, VSI recently updated its manual and its training curriculum.

“Whether on new homes or residing projects, VSI Certified Installers have demonstrated their knowledge of the proper techniques for installing vinyl siding,” said VSI President Jerry Y. Huntley. “Just three years into the program, we’re proud to continue our commitment to quality installation with this updated manual and the growing availability of qualified installers and trainers.”

Since the program was launched in 2005, VSI has certified 100 vinyl siding installation trainers to educate more than 3,000 Certified Installers.

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VSI recognizes an individual as a Certified Installer if he or she has at least one year of experience, takes VSI's course, and passes an examination on vinyl siding installation techniques. Installers with more than three years of experience may qualify to take the examination without the course. VSI Certified Installers must take a test and renew their certification every three years.

VSI recognizes an individual as a Certified Trainer if he or she has a background in training, takes VSI's course, and passes the examination on vinyl siding installation and training techniques. All VSI Certified Installer courses are taught by Certified Trainers.

VSI recognizes a firm as a Certified Installer Company if the organization has an acceptable quality control program, as determined by an independent review by EPA's program administrator. This includes having a Certified Installer or Certified Trainer present on every job crew where vinyl siding is being installed.

Certified professionals, builders, remodelers, contractors, architects, code officials, or homeowner do-it-yourselfers can download an electronic version of the manual on VSI's website at www.vinylsiding.org/aboutsiding/installation/manual. For more information on VSI's *Certified Installer Program*, visit www.vinylsiding.org/certifiedinstaller.

About Vinyl Siding Institute

The Vinyl Siding Institute, Inc., located in Washington, D.C., represents manufacturers of vinyl and other polymeric siding and suppliers to the industry. VSI is the sponsor of the *VSI Vinyl Siding Product Certification Program* and the *VSI Certified Installer Program*. www.vinylsiding.org.