

2021 Annual Meeting Registration Clarification Q&A



ABMA is looking forward to bringing the membership back together for the 2021 Annual Meeting. Like everything in 2020, this meeting will be a little different but the Annual Meeting will still offer opportunities to directly interact with the c-level from boiler manufacturers and supplier executives, collaborate on critical topics impacting the boiler industry and hear perspectives from relevant keynote speakers.

Click Here to Register

To ensure we are to engage all our members for this meeting, we are offering an option to join the meeting virtually in addition to participating in-person.

We hope the answers below address many of your questions but encourage you to reach out if you still need some clarification.

Is ABMA still planning to offer a hybrid event in January with in-person participants at the Hyatt Coconut Point along with virtual participants?

We are closely monitoring a number of factors and while we plan to proceed with the hybrid event at this time, we are in continuous discussions with the ABMA Leadership and Hyatt Regency Coconut Point. We will change direction, if necessary, converting to an all-virtual event that will still take place in January 2021.

If you plan to attend in-person and have not booked your room, please contact Hyatt Regency Coconut Point by calling 239-444-1234 and ask for the American Boiler Manufacturers Association group rate; reference the block code G-ABMA. You can<u>click here to book your reservation</u> as well.

What is the current schedule of events?

Click here for the current schedule.

Below are the current dates and times for all session blocks (this excludes food functions).

- January 12 1 PM 3 PM (Virtual Only)
- January 13 10 AM 12:30PM & 2PM 4PM (Virtual Only)
- January 16 8 AM 12 PM & 1PM 3PM (Hybrid)
- January 17 8 AM 11 AM (Hybrid)
- January 18 8 AM 11:30 AM (Hybrid)

How is ABMA going to ensure a safe and worthwhile experience for all on-site participants?

ABMA has been working closely with the Hyatt Coconut Point to ensure safety is prioritized.

The Hyatt has instituted <u>safety guidelines and protocols</u> that are being updated as the situation evolves and will be an important part of our overall focus. <u>Click here</u> for the current ABMA COVID-19 safety guidelines that will be used in partnership with those of the Hyatt.

<u>Click here</u> to watch a video from Hyatt Coconut Point, demonstrating how safety is their top priority and what actions they are taking to keep their guest safe.

For our event, all meeting space will include physical distancing, masks indoors, food functions and receptions either hosted outside or with an outside option and hand sanitizer stations throughout the meeting space. Details on additional features will be shared as they are finalized.

What is the deadline for early-bird registration fees?

The deadline for the early bird rate is Friday, December 4th.

As a reminder, we are offering a one-time reduction in meeting fees to assist our members in these challenging times. Early bird member registration has been reduced to \$1,395 for the first attendee and \$1,295 for each additional attendee from each company. Registration for virtual-only access is \$495. After December 4th, the inperson registration increases to \$1,695 and the virtual-only access increases to \$650.

Registering by December 22nd will ensure you are included in all on-site materials. The last day to register for the Annual Meeting is **Monday, January 4th**.

What happens if I register for the virtual option and then decide to come in-person or if the entire event is converted to an all-virtual event?

To assist our members, we are offering enhanced flexibility with your registration. You will have the ability to switch to the other option by **Friday, December 18**th. If you initially registered by December 4th, you will get the early bird rate with the alternate registration.

If you register for the in-person event and ABMA converts to an all-virtual event, your registration will be converted to the virtual option and you will be refunded the difference.

Does the in-person registration give me access to more sessions than virtual-only registration?

No, both registration options have access to all sessions.

Registering for in-person participation gets you access to the in-person hybrid sessions, live access to the virtualonly content on January 12th & 13th and access to recorded content of all sessions for 30 days after the meeting.

Registering for the virtual participation gets you live access to all hybrid sessions, the virtual-only content on January 12th & 13th, and access to recorded content of all sessions for 30 days after the meeting.

Additional virtual features include a special virtual care package, the ability to ask questions to presenters via staff moderator and special networking opportunities in the platform.

If you have additional questions about any aspect of the upcoming Annual Meeting, please contact ABMA President & CEO Scott Lynch at scott@abma.com.