SWICA
SOUTHWEST INSULATION CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION

BYRON SADLER CRAFT COMPETITION

Excellence in Mechanical Insulation

Each year, SWICA hosts a hands-on competition to showcase the art of insulation. The **"Craft Competitions"** provide an opportunity for highly-skilled insulators and foremen to compete for awards and monetary prizes.

These events are a great way for everyone involved in the insulation industry to witness the process and skill first-hand, to recognize the value, and to elevate appreciation for the industry.

Attendance is free and everyone is welcome.

Team & Craft Competition Information

The "**Cryo**" portion is held on even years of our competition series focusing on cold insulation, along with a **Chili Cookoff**.

The "**Craft**" portion is on odd years and focuses on a variety of other applications and includes an **Expo** with opportunities for companies to showcase their brand and make valuable industry connections.

- Cryo teams include three members with one designated as the lead/foreman (3 total)
- Industrial teams will have three members, plus an optional non-competing foreman (4 total)
- The total number of teams can change year to year based on venue and supplies
- Pending the number of teams, there will be a morning and afternoon flight
- Teams can a compete in both cryo and craft
- For craft, each team will choose one category: Industrial, Commercial or Removable
- Teams will be assigned a number, and company names will be anonymous until the end
- Teams must participate in an orientation and safety briefing before beginning
- All materials, supplies, and specs will be provided
- Competitors will bring their own tools
- Each team will have 3-5 hours for the application (based on type) and time for a written exam
- A group of 3-5 judges will monitor progress and track scores throughout the competition
- Winners will be announced at the end of the competition
- All participants will be recognized and rewarded. Winning teams will receive a trophy and the competitors from winning teams will receive monetary awards up to $500 each

Teams will be solicited 1-2 months prior to the competition.
Reach out to the SWICA office or a SWICA member to get connected and sign up.

THE 2027 CRAFT COMPETITION WILL BE HELD FEBRUARY 25TH AT THE PASADENA CONVENTION CENTER

FOR MORE INFO, CONTACT ADMIN@SWICAONLINE.ORG

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TEAM SIGN UP FORM

Company: _____

Category: ◯ ~~Cryogenic~~ ◯ **Industrial** ◯ **Commercial** ◯ **Removeable**

Team Lead/ Point of Contact

The POC will be responsible for ensuring the team is organized and has all necessary information.

POC Name: _____

POC Email: _____

POC Phone: _____

Competitor Names, Emails, Shirt Size

Emails ensure all team members receive all event and competition information
Every competitor gets a long sleeve T-shirt to wear during the competition (default size if none provided is XL)

1. _____ _____ _____
Name Email Size

2 _____ _____ _____
Name Email Size

3 _____ _____ _____
Optional - Non-competing Foreman Name Email Size

This team sign up form is for craft competition teams for the
2027 Craft Competition.
Thursday, February 25, 2026, | 8:00 am - 6:00 pm
Pasadena Convention Center
7902 Fairmont Parkway, Pasadena, TX

Additional details will be sent as the event gets closer. Teams are encouraged to invite friends and family to participate and attend the awards ceremony.

Return this form to **admin@swicaonline.org**
Additional details at swicaonline.org/expo