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The electrical construction industry is evolving rapidly, and NECA is embracing new initiatives to ensure its members are prepared to face the challenges of today and tomorrow. With a renewed focus on education, innovation and technology, NECA is launching the **Ambassador** and **Affiliate** sponsorship programs. These programs—separate from NECA's Premier Partnership agreements—will connect NECA members to a wide array of products and services designed to support their companies' success and provide solutions with increased access and attention within our industry.

There are four pillars to NECA's Ambassador and Affiliate sponsorship programs: Networking and Promotion, Name Recognition, Digital Marketing and Social Media, and Communication and Education.



#### **Networking and Promotion**

Sponsors will get their brand in front of the NECA audience at events and programs throughout the year. This includes being featured at the annual NECA Convention and Trade Show, and invitations to key networking opportunities.



### **Name Recognition**

Ambassador and Affiliate companies can leverage their NECA sponsorship to build clout and reputation within the electrical construction industry, creating direct relationships with NECA members.



#### **Digital Marketing and Social Media**

Sponsors gain an immediate, prominent presence in the publications and digital outlets that electrical contractors trust. This includes newsletters, print magazines, NECA's web brands, impactful social media posts, and much more.



## **Communication and Education**

Sponsors can get their message in front of electrical contractors through sponsored content, advertising, and webinars. This is an opportunity to deepen the conversation beyond logos and branding; companies can present their case directly to the audience.





#### PREMIER PARTNER PROGRAM

An elite top-level sponsorship program giving organizations an opportunity to access NECA's Contractor community year-round, with full business category exclusivity and protection.



#### AMBASSADOR PROGRAM

A mid-level program offering various sponsorship opportunities with increased access to NECA's Contractor community and name recognition benefits.



#### AFFILIATE PROGRAM

An introductory-level sponsorship program giving organizations an opportunity to partner with NECA digitally with limited access to NECA's Contractor community.

# **AMBASSADOR AND AFFILIATE PROGRAM BENEFITS**

## **NETWORKING & PROMOTION**

Benefit	Benefit Description	Details	Ambassador	Affiliate	
NECA Convention a	and Trade Show				
NECA Convention General Sessions	An Ambassador slide will feature all participating companies during the pre-Session walk-in.	Slides featured during the General Session walk-in each day for 3 days.	<b>✓</b>		
NECA Convention Opening General Session	An Affiliate slide will feature all participating companies during the pre-Session walk-in.	Slides featured during the Opening General Session walk-in.		✓	
Show Guide Appreciation Page	Tier sponsors will be recognized on appreciation pages in the printed Show Guide, available to all NECA Convention and Trade Show attendees.	Sponsor logos will be featured on appreciation pages in the printed Show Guide.	<b>✓</b>	<b>√</b>	
Show Guide Exhibitor Listing	An icon recognizing your sponsor level will appear with your listing in the Trade Show Guide.	Ambassador and Affiliate logos will appear with exhibitor listing in the Trade Show Guide.	<b>✓</b>	✓	
Showstopper	Ambassador and Affiliate sponsors receive a discount for one entry into the Showstopper Showcase, presented by ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR magazine.	Ambassador receives 50% discount (additional entries at full price)	<b>√</b>		
Showcase		Affiliate receives 25% discount (additional entries at full price)		<b>√</b>	
Sponsor Ribbons	Sponsor ribbons identify you as an Ambassador or Affiliate to NECA Convention and Trade Show attendees.	Ribbons signifying your level of partnership will be distributed to all booth personnel.	<b>✓</b>	✓	
Dooth Docietystics	Register and choose your booth space on-site for the following NECA Convention and Trade Show during select times before other companies.	Ambassador level will register following the Premier Partners (subject to NECA requirements)	<b>√</b>		
Booth Registration		Affiliate level will register following the Ambassador level (subject to NECA requirements)		V	
NECA Safety Profes	ssionals Conference				
NSPC General Sessions	An Ambassador slide will feature all participating companies during the pre-Session walk-in.	Slides featured during the General Session walk-in each day for 2 days.	<b>✓</b>		
NSPC General Sessions	An Affiliate slide will feature all participating companies during the pre-Session walk-in.	Slides featured during the Opening General Session walk-in.		<b>√</b>	
Chapter Outreach Program					
Chapter Outreach Program	Sponsors can take part in the Chapter Outreach Program, which offers you the opportunity to provide high-value presentation and demonstration content to Chapter Executives and members.	Your NECA-approved presentation topics will be listed in a resource catalog for Chapter Executives. The Chapter Executives, at their sole discretion, may invite the Sponsors to Chapter events.	<b>✓</b>		

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## NAME RECOGNITION

Benefit	Benefit Description	Details	Ambassador	Affiliate	
NECA Convention a	NECA Convention and Trade Show				
Signage in the Registration Area with Collective Logos	At the NECA Convention and Trade Show, signage with logos in the registration area—a location visible to every Convention and Trade Show attendee.	Signage featuring Ambassador tier collective logos and Affiliate tier logos will be displayed in the registration lobby of the NECA Convention and Show.	✓	<b>✓</b>	
Recognition in Booth	At the NECA Convention and Trade Show, sponsor level recognition at booth	Special signage in your booth will identify you as an Ambassador or Affiliate sponsor.	✓	✓	
NECA Book	NECA Book				
NECA Book	Your logo will appear in the NECA Book, NECA's annual membership directory.	Participating sponsor collective logos will be featured on appreciation pages for each tier.	✓	✓	
Sponsor Tier Logo					
NECA Ambassador/ Affiliate Program Logos	Establish your support of NECA by using the NECA Sponsor Tier logo for packaging, advertising, stationery, etc.	Use of the NECA Ambassador/Affiliate logo in branded material and promotion. (requires NECA permission in each case)	✓	✓	

## **DIGITAL MARKETING & SOCIAL MEDIA**

Benefit	Benefit Description	Details	Ambassador	Affiliate
Social Media				
Social Media	NECA will create and post one social media post per event and tag your company for NECA Convention.	1 social post per event	✓	
Social Media	NECA will create and post one social media post thanking Affiliate sponsors, and will tag sponsors in the post for NECA Convention.	1 collective social post–Thank you for being a NECA Affiliate		✓
Social Media	NECA will create and post one social media post per event and tag your company for NECA Safety Professionals Conference.	1 social post per event	✓	
E-Newsletters				
Education E-Newsletter	Name recognition in the footer in the NECA education e-newsletter.	Ambassador logos will be featured in the footer of the NECA education e-newsletter	✓	
NECA Events Newsletter	Inclusion in 1 NECA Events e-newsletter	Ambassador will appear in one NECA Event e-newsletter footer.	$\checkmark$	
Websites				
NECA Website	Your logo and a hyperlink to your website hyperlink on NECA's website	Ambassador and Affiliate logos with hyperlink (prominence depending on tier)	✓	<b>✓</b>
NSPC Website	Ambassador and Affiliate sponsor logos featured on conference webpage	Ambassador and Affiliate logos will appear on the NSPC website	✓	✓
Other				
NECA Events App	An icon recognizing your sponsor level will appear with your listing in the meeting app.	Ambassador and Affiliate logos will appear with exhibitor listing in the NECA Events app	$\checkmark$	✓
NECA Member Web Portal	Bring NECA Members directly to you through a member portal.	Produce and host a NECA web member portal on your website, such as Company.com/NECA (requires NECA review and approval).	<b>✓</b>	<b>√</b>

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## **ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR MAGAZINE**

About ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR magazine: EC magazine is NECA's flagship publication, which reaches more than 80,000 electrical and low-voltage contractors across the United States each month, and touches roughly 90% of the electrical construction industry. ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR's media properties, collectively, are engaged with more than 600,000 times monthly.

Benefit	Benefit Description	Details	Ambassador	Affiliate
Advertising				
ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR Magazine Advertising	NECA will provide a discount on advertising in ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR magazine, on ECmag.com, and in ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR's e-newsletters. This discount would be applied to Sponsor's current negotiated rate or according to the current year's rate card should Sponsor not already have a negotiated rate.	Ambassador receives 15% discount	<b>√</b>	<b>✓</b>
		Affiliate receives 10% discount		
Editorial				
ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR Magazine Editorial	Ambassador can submit one article per year in ECmag.com	Ambassador can submit for potential publication one (1) sponsored article per year on ECMag.com. Articles are subject to review and approval by NECA staff and will be edited for clarity and according to NECA's editorial policies and style (\$1,600 value = 800 words).	<b>✓</b>	
Appreciation Event				
ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR Magazine Customer Appreciation Event	Attend ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR Magazine's customer appreciation event held during the NECA Convention each year.	Ambassador level sponsors receive two invitations to the ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR Appreciation party at the NECA Show.	<b>✓</b>	

## **EDUCATION**

Benefit	Benefit Description	Details	Ambassador	Affiliate		
Online Education	Online Education					
Webinars	Reach your customers by producing and presenting one official NECA educational webinar per year.	Ambassadors can present one official educational webinar NECA Ambassadors may produce and present up to two official NECA educational webinars per year at their cost. Webinars will be promoted through e-newsletters, social media and on the NECA website, and will be presented, and archived as official NECA programs.	<b>✓</b>			

\*Benefits Subject to Change





#### **ADDITIONAL COMMITMENTS**

- Sponsors are required to commit to a trade show booth of a minimum of 10' x 10' for the NECA Convention and Trade Show.

"At NECA, a key value we provide is connecting our members with the products and services that are leading our industry. The Ambassador and Affiliate Programs were envisioned as new avenues to deepen the conversation between these brands and NECA member companies, providing sponsors with increased industry access and awareness, and our members with even more resources to help drive their success. It is NECA National's goal to research all avenues to keep our contractors on the cutting edge of safety, growth and sustainability for the long haul."

-David Long CEO, *National Electrical Contractors Association* 



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