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The American Institute Of Architects Official Guide To The 2007 AIA Contract Documents



Synopsis

No other contracts are more widely used in the construction industry than the American Institute of Architects' standard forms. The American Institute of Architects Official Guide to the 2007 AIA Contract Documents offers unparalleled insight into the AIA's extensive portfolio of contract documents, helping the reader understand the forms and how to implement them. This guide is divided into two parts: Part One, The AIA Standard Documents, examines the role of AIA Contract Documents, their history, and how the documents are written and updated. It also reviews the educational and supporting resources that are part of the AIA's contract documents program; Part Two, The AIA Documents Companion, describes agreements in detail, including the purpose and rationale for provisions. Separate chapters cover the owner-contractor, contractor-subcontractor, owner-architect, and architect-consultant agreements. The guide concludes with a chapter describing pivotal legal cases that have helped shape and interpret AIA contracts. Samples of the most commonly used contracts are in print in the appendix, and an accompanying CD-ROM has samples of all AIA Contract Documents (in PDF format for Mac and PC computers) that released in 2007, as well as the Integrated Project Delivery Family of documents that released in 2008. This book is invaluable for construction project owners, attorneys, contractors, subcontractors, design professionals, and others involved in the procurement, management, and delivery of building projects. It is also recommended for students and young professionals seeking a degree, certification, or licensure.

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Great book. Even more inclusive than I expected

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I purchased this book while studying for the Construction Documents and Services portion of the ARE. The firm I work for provides all the Kaplan study material and I did not like the Kaplan version for this specific test. So I thought, "Why not go to the source" and really study the documents in depth?. Using this book I actually found the entire topic engaging and I now have another level of depth concerning the profession of architecture. I read this book cover to cover and I am now enlightened in way I was previously not. Much to my surprise the content is interesting, well organized and clear. I will use this book as a professional resource for the rest of my career (or until I have to update the book). Therefore I recommend this book. My previous employer really struggled with the AIA Documents and had difficulty managing that portion of the process with clarity. And now having been through this resource I don't know why people struggle managing the contract documents because all the hard work has been finished. And with sources like the Official Guide to the Contract Documents there is no reason why architects can't lead these processes with expert clarity. Five stars for this book.

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