

# POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR Technical COMMITTEES

2026 ASHRAE Winter Conference, January 31-February 4, 2026

# Main Committee Meetings (TC, TRG, TG, MTG):

• If your committee chooses to host a hybrid meeting, the committee must provide their own meeting link. A USB plug-in speaker/microphone is available <u>upon request</u> to help support your hybrid meeting. Please note, this equipment is best suited for smaller rooms and may not function effectively in large meeting spaces.

# Subcommittee Meetings

- Subcommittees who wish to meet virtually in advance should schedule to meet any time before January 30<sup>th</sup>. The subcommittee must provide their own link to host the virtual meeting and submit it through the portal to have the meeting listed on the conference schedule.
- It is strongly encouraged that TC subcommittees meet virtually in advance of the Conference. Subcommittees may submit requests to meet in-person at the Winter Conference, but space is limited and may not be available.
- Hybrid subcommittee meetings will not be approved for the Winter Conference. If members cannot attend in-person, the subcommittee should meet virtually in advance of the Conference.
- Following the 2026 Winter Conference, TC, TRG, TG, MTG subcommittees will no longer be permitted
  to request an in-person meeting space at conferences due to rising costs and the need to optimize the
  use of conference time and meeting space. Hosting virtual meetings prior to the conference ensures all
  interested parties can attend with clear dialogue and equal access. It also provides attendees with
  greater flexibility to participate in Technical Sessions, the Expo, and other Society meetings and events
  while on-site.

### TC Chair Checklist

#### Now

- ✓ Alert Subcommittee Chairs of plans for the Winter Conference
- ✓ Communicate to members of your TC (sample email message below):
  - o Registration Requirements
  - o Additional hotel information will be sent out in September
- ✓ Meeting Request system is now open and closes on Friday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>.

## By August 22<sup>nd</sup>

- ✓ Submit Meeting Request for TC, TG, TRG, MTG Meeting (per instructions below)
- ✓ Submit or Remind Subcommittee Chairs to submit Request to host their virtual meeting (per instructions below)

#### What to Expect

- ✓ September: Registration Opens, and additional information will be sent regarding hotel information.
- ✓ October: Meeting schedule posted on <u>ashrae.org/2026winter</u>.



## **Meeting Requests**

Meeting Requests: <a href="https://www.ailogistics.com/ashrae">https://www.ailogistics.com/ashrae</a>

**Deadline:** August 22<sup>nd</sup>

• A meeting request must be submitted for <u>any</u> meeting that needs to be included in the Conference schedule.

- All requests must be submitted by August 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- Meetings should be scheduled for a pre-determined 2-hour block, if possible:

| Friday    | 1:00 – 3:00 pm, 3:30 – 5:30 pm                      |
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| Saturday  | 8:00 am- 10:00 am, 10:30 – 12:30 pm, 1:00 – 3:00 pm |
| Sunday    | 3:30 – 5:30 pm, 6:00 – 8:00 pm                      |
| Monday    | 2:30-4:30 pm, 5:00 – 7:00 pm, 7:30 – 9:00 pm        |
| Tuesday   | 1:00-3:00 pm, 3:30-5:30 pm                          |
| Wednesday | 1:00-3:00 pm  |

- You will be required to indicate the following anticipated attendance and will be assigned a meeting room based on that information:
  - Expected committee members (seated around the tables)
  - Expected guests (perimeter seating)
- On the details page, you will be able to request any of the following:
  - o Screen
  - Power Strips
  - Dual USB Plug-In Microphone/Speaker (main committees only)
  - Projectors will <u>not</u> be available.
- If you plan to have a hybrid or virtual meeting, you must link your meeting at the time of the request. If the link is not provided, the meeting will automatically be scheduled as an in-person meeting.

## Registration, Hotel and Travel

 Registration will open in September. The Technical Program consists of 100+ technical sessions and downloadable conference papers. Registration comes with 1 year access to recordings of all the technical sessions, conference papers, quizzes and PDH certificates. Learn more on the Registration page at ashrae.org/2026Winter.

## **Quick Links**

- ASHRAE Winter Conference website: https://www.ashrae.org/conferences/2026-winter-conference
- Information and Link to Submit Committee and Subcommittee Meeting Requests: https://www.ashrae.org/conferences/2026-winter-conference in the "Committee Meetings" page
- https://www.ashrae.org/technical-resources/standards-and-guidelines/pcs-toolkit under the "Project Committee Meetings" section
- Meeting Request Submissions: https://www.ailogistics.com/ashrae/



# **Sample Email to TC Members**

TO: Committee Members FROM: Committee Chair

DATE: NOW!

SUBJECT: 2026 Winter Conference in Las Vegas: Updates and What to Expect

Committee Members,

Thank you for your continued dedication to Committee Name. As you know, ASHRAE is planning to host the 2026 Winter Conference in Las Vegas, January 31<sup>st</sup>-Febrary 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026. I would like to bring to your attention some important items related to the conference:

- Registration will open in September! The Technical Program consists of 100+ technical sessions and downloadable conference papers. In-Person and Virtual rates are available. Both registration types come with 1 year access to recordings of all the technical sessions, conference papers, quizzes and PDH certificates. Learn more.
- Additional hotel information will be sent out in September for the ASHRAE room rate at Caesars Palace Resort & Casino.

[Include any information here related to plans for your specific TC and/or subcommittee meetings]

If you have any questions related specifically to the Winter Conference, please contact meetings@ashrae.org.

Thank you,

[Chair]