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PRESENTING RIPA 101: A TWO-PART VIRTUAL COURSE ON YOUR ASSOCIATION AND KEY REGULATORY AND LEGAL ISSUES AFFECTING THE INDUSTRY

RIPA is pleased to present a two-part course designed to educate members of the Reusable Industrial Packaging Association about the history, purposes and goals of the organization that represents them in North America and globally; and inform them about key regulatory and legal issues that affect both reconditioners and manufacturers of industrial packagings. The course will be presented on consecutive weeks in April.

Part I:	An Introduction to RIPA: History/Purposes/Benefits	Thursday, April 15, 2021 2:00 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. EST
Part II:	Regulatory and Legal Issues Affecting Industrial Packaging Reconditioners and Manufacturers	Thursday, April 22, 2021 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. EST

RIPA's membership has undergone significant changes in the last decade and as a result a whole new group of men and women have entered the business, many of whom have had limited exposure to the association, its activities and the array of regulatory and legal issues that impact the day-to-day activities of the business.

Part I of the course will introduce RIPA, from its founding in 1943 to the present. We will talk about the various programs and regulatory compliance materials offered by the association, most of which are available on the web site. Part II will introduce members to the wide range of legal and regulatory compliance issues that the association deals with on a regular basis, from the empty container rule to closure instructions, testing and employee training.

RIPA 101 is designed to educate every member of the association about RIPA's services, compliance tools and representation; you'll learn something even if you've been around for years! Attendees of these two sessions will leave more informed about the association and how to maximize the benefits of membership.

Put the dates on your calendar. Make sure your managers and key staff do the same. <u>RIPA will send</u> separate announcements to you with the ZOOM connection information.