



THE INSTITUTION OF FIRE ENGINEERS UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BRANCH

To promote, encourage, and improve the science and practice of Fire Engineering, Fire Prevention, and Fire Extinction, and all operations and expedients connected therewith, and to give impetus to ideas likely to be useful in connection with or in relation to such science and practice to the members of the Institution and to the community at-large.

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Press Release

Commemorative Coin Celebrates 10th Anniversary of US Branch

The Institution of Fire Engineers, United States of America Branch is celebrating its 10th anniversary as a chapter of this international fire service organization. In 1996, about 15 US fire service personnel met in Tulsa, Okla. to begin the framework that led to establishment of the US Branch. The Branch is now one of 23 worldwide which comprise over 11,000 members.

To recognize this 10 year milestone the Branch has commissioned a coin strike, in limited edition, to commemorate the occasion. Made of highly polished bronze metal (looks almost like gold bullion) the coin is a little larger than a silver dollar and depicts the IFE logo with 50 stars to honor the 50 United States; on the reverse is the Great Seal of the United States of America. The coin is sheathed in a protective mylar case, and comes with an acrylic stand for display purposes. Fire service members interested in obtaining a coin may go to the US Branch website at www.ife-usa.org for more information.

The Institution of Fire Engineers is a British based organization and offers its members scholarly, peer review, in-depth best practices approaches to fire engineering problems. The term fire engineering is the more common phrase used in other parts of the world to describe what we here call the fire service. Membership is based on academic, fire service and professional qualifications. There are six grades of membership each representing a higher level of qualification.