



# NXT LEVEL 2 DESIGNEE MARKETING TOOLKIT GUIDE

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## CONGRATULATIONS

on earning your NXT Level 2 designation

Your completion of the NXT Level 2 training further positions you as one of the best among Northwest lighting professionals. We thank you for your commitment to distinguishing your expertise in a crowded field.

A continuation of the NXT Level 1 toolkit, the NXT Level 2 toolkit is filled with tools and best practices to help you further differentiate your industry-leading knowledge in the eyes of current and prospective clients.

All tools outlined in this guide are available to download at: nxtleveltraining/nxt2toolkit

Please reach out with any questions or comments by emailing

training@nxtleveltraining.com or calling 800-413-9661.



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## **DESIGNATION LOGO**





- ▶ Your NXT Level designation acts as a third-party endorsement of your expertise in this field. We encourage you to use the logo in one or more of the following places to help prospective clients identify you as NXT Level designated:
  - Company website (e.g., home page, about and/or services pages)
  - Proposals or presentations
  - Marketing or advertising (e.g., email, direct mail, events, signage, business cards, email signatures, etc.)
- ▶ The logo is available in digital (PNG) and print (JPG/EPS) formats. Using the right file type for the right application will ensure the best color and quality.
- ► When using the logo digitally, consider hyperlinking to additional information about NXT Level such as the flyer included in this kit, content on your website, or the NXT Level website: nxtleveltraining.com

## **FLYER**





## **TOOL OVERVIEW**

- This flyer is available to help communicate the value of your NXT Level designation to current and prospective clients.
- Consider using this flyer:
  - As a download on your website, serving as a companion piece to designation messaging and/or the logo
  - As part of your sales or proposal materials
  - As a handout to customers who want to learn more
- ▶ Contact us if you're interested in co-branding this flyer with your company's name, logo, etc. (note: Adobe Illustrator is required to edit):

info@nxtleveltraining.com.

## **DESIGNATION CARDS**



NXT Level 2 designees are among the very best in Northwest lighting, with advanced training and expertise in:



Advanced lighting systems, assessments and applications



Designing state-of-the-art systems



Installing and configuring lighting technologies and controls

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- Whether you're meeting a prospective client or running into a colleague, use these cards to promote your elite standing as a NXT Level 2 designee.
- ▶ NXT Level 2 participants will receive 50 free cards upon achieving their designation. Art files are available for download on the Marketing Toolkit webpage for self-printing of additional copies: nxtleveltraining.com/nxt2toolkit.

## PRINT/DIGITAL **BANNERS**











- Use these banners in your print or digital marketing to promote your designation status and convey the value your designation brings to customers.
- ▶ Banners are available in digital (PNG) and print (JPG/EPS) formats. Make sure to use right file type for the right application for optimal color and quality.
- When using the banners digitally, consider hyperlinking to additional information on NXT Level such as the flyer included in this kit, messaging on your website, or the NXT Level website: nxtleveltraining.com.

## MESSAGING

#### **Short:**

To further provide you with the latest, most efficient and cost-effective lighting solutions, [I/we] have earned [my/our] NXT Level 2 designation. The most advanced tier of the most advanced lighting training in the region, NXT Level 2 is a comprehensive series of courses created and administered by a collective of Northwest utilities, lighting experts and energy efficiency organizations.

#### Long:

To further provide you with the latest, most efficient and cost-effective lighting solutions, [I/we] have earned [my/our] NXT Level 2 designation. The most advanced tier of the most advanced lighting training in the region, NXT Level 2 is a comprehensive lighting training created and administered by a collective of Northwest utilities, lighting experts and energy efficiency organizations.

This designation places me among the very best lighting professionals in the region. When you hire [company/individual name], you're hiring [a professional/professionals] [who is/who are] specially trained to provide:

- the very latest techniques and technologies
- the most advanced approaches to lighting design and planning
- cost-effective lighting solutions
- the most energy-efficient practices
- lighting calibrated to the specific needs of your project
- · access to utility incentives that lower project cost

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- Messaging is available to help position and talk about you and/or your staff's NXT Level designation in a way that's accurate and consistent with the way the NXT Level training team communicates with the marketplace. This will help boost your own recognition in relation to the training and ensure you're touching on all of the designation's value propositions with your clients.
- Content is available in three lengths to fit a variety of applications, such as:
  - Short: elevator speeches, social media, signage
  - Medium: e-newsletters. website, presentations
  - · Long: website, blogs, sales materials

## PRESS RELEASE

PRESS RELEASE MOCK-UP

#### COMPANY NAME further distinguishes their lighting expertise in the Northwest mark

Building on their NXT Level 1 designation, [COMPANY NAME] has earned the prestigious NXT Level 2 designation. This distinction further cements their position as foremost regional experts in the very latest lighting technologies and techniques.

[CITY, STATE—(e.g., "Vancouver, Wash.")] (MONTH X, YEAR) – Having already earned their NXT Level 1 designation, [CONTRACTOR NAME(S)] at [COMPANY NAME] [IS/ARE] not resting on their laurels. To remain in the top tier of Northwest lighting professionals, and to stay at the forefront of a rapidly evolving industry, [CONTRACTOR NAME(S)] [HAS/HAVE] earned their NXT Level 2 designation.

Even more advanced than its predecessor, NXT Level 2 equips lighting professionals with the most advanced approaches to lighting design, planning, energy-efficient practices and cost-effective solutions. By earning this prestigious designation, [COMPANY NAME] reconfirms their commitment to providing their customers with the best available design and installation of commercial and industrial lighting retrofits.

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Created and administered in partnership with Northwest utilities, industry experts, and lighting professionals from around the region, NXT Level training provides instruction in areas beyond lighting technology, including customer service guidance to help lighting contractors confidently manage every step of a lighting project.

For more information, visit [COMPANY URL] or nxtleveltraining.com.

#### About [COMPANY NAME]

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#### About NXT Level training

NXT Level training is designed for companies and individuals delivering lighting retrofits to commercial and industrial customers. NXT Level 1 and NXT Level 2 address the needs customers, utilities, and trade allies face in today's rapidly evolving lighting market. Trade allies who complete these trainings gain a thorough understanding of the most advanced lighting and control systems.

COMPANY CONTACT PERSON COMPANY NAME, TITLE (XXX)-XXX-XXXX, CONTACT EMAIL



- The press release template is a customizable tool that you or your company can use to promote your NXT Level 2 designation status.
- To use, simply fill in the highlighted blocks with your company information. You can optionally choose to add additional information or context about you or your company, such as complementary certifications, achievements, case studies, or commitments in the area of energy efficiency.
- The press release can be distributed in one or more ways:
  - Shared by email with your contacts and network
  - Posted to your company's news or blog page on your website
  - Shared on social media (link to your website where press release is available)
  - · Pitched to industry outlets (e.g., organizations, publications, blogs, etc.)
- As press releases are generally designed to announce new information, we advise that you distribute your release closely following achieving your designation.











# We thank you for your continued commitment to being among the best in Northwest lighting.

Don't hesitate to reach out with any questions or feedback:

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