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Introduction

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CHAPTER 1 [RE] SCOPE AND ADMINISTRATION

User note:

About this chapter: Chapter 1 establishes the limits of applicability of this code and describes how the code is to be applied and enforced. Chapter 1 is in two parts: Part 1—Scope and Application (Sections R101–R104) and Part 2—Administration and Enforcement (Sections R105–R110). Section R101 identifies which buildings and structures come under its purview and references other I-Codes as applicable. Standards and codes are scoped to the extent referenced (see Section R102.4).

This code is intended to be adopted as a legally enforceable document, and it cannot be effective without adequate provisions for its administration and enforcement. The provisions of Chapter 1 establish the authority and duties of the code official appointed by the authority having jurisdiction and also establish the rights and privileges of the design professional, contractor and property owner.

PART 1—SCOPE AND APPLICATION

SECTION R101 SCOPE AND GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

R101.1 Title. This code shall be known as the *Energy Conservation Code* of [NAME OF JURISDICTION] and shall be cited as such. It is referred to herein as “this code.”

R101.2 Scope (Not subject to public input). This code applies to the design and construction of detached one- and two-family dwellings and multiple single-family dwellings (townhouses) and Group R-2, R-3 and R-4 buildings three stories or less in height above *grade plane*.

R101.2.1 Appendices Provisions in the appendices shall not apply unless specifically adopted.

R101.3 Intent (Not subject to public input). The International Energy Conservation Code - Residential Provisions provide market-driven, enforceable requirements for the design and construction of residential buildings, providing minimum efficiency requirements for buildings that result in the maximum level of energy efficiency that is safe, technologically feasible, and life cycle cost effective, considering economic feasibility, including potential costs and savings for consumers and building owners, and return on investment. Additionally, the code provides jurisdictions with optional supplemental requirements, including requirements that lead to achievement of zero energy buildings, presently, and, through glidepaths that achieve zeroenergy buildings by 2030 and on additional timelines sought by governments, and achievement of additional policy goals as identified by the Energy and Carbon Advisory Council and approved by the Board of Directors. The code may include non-mandatory appendices incorporating additional energy efficiency and greenhouse gas reduction resources developed by the Code Council and others. Requirements contained in the code will include, but not be limited to, prescriptive- and performance-based pathways. The code will aim to simplify code requirements to facilitate the code’s use and compliance rate. The code is updated on a three-year cycle with each subsequent edition providing increased energy savings over the prior edition. The IECC residential provisions shall include an update to Chapter 11 of the International Residential Code. This code is intended to provide flexibility to permit the use of innovative approaches and techniques to achieve this intent. This code is not intended to abridge safety, health or environmental requirements contained in other

applicable codes or ordinances.

R101.5R101.4 Compliance. *Residential buildings* shall meet the provisions of IECC—Residential Provisions. *Commercial buildings* shall meet the provisions of IECC—Commercial Provisions.

R101.5.1R101.4.1 Compliance materials. The *code official* shall be permitted to approve specific computer software, worksheets, compliance manuals and other similar materials that meet the intent of this code.

SECTION R102 APPLICABILITY

R101.4R102.1 Applicability. Where, in any specific case, different sections of this code specify different materials, methods of construction or other requirements, the most restrictive shall govern. Where there is a conflict between a general requirement and a specific requirement, the specific requirement shall govern.

R101.4.1R102.1.1 Mixed residential and commercial buildings. Where a *building* includes both *residential building* and *commercial building* portions, each portion shall be separately considered and meet the applicable provisions of the IECC—Commercial Provisions or IECC—Residential Provisions.

R108.3R102.2 Other laws. The provisions of this code shall not be deemed to nullify any provisions of local, state or federal law.

R108.2R102.3 Application of references. References to chapter or section numbers, or to provisions not specifically identified by number, shall be construed to refer to such chapter, section or provision of this code.

R108.1R102.4 Referenced codes and standards. The codes and standards referenced in this code shall be those indicated in **Chapter 6**, and such codes and standards shall be considered as part of the requirements of this code to the prescribed extent of each such reference and as further regulated in **Sections R102.4.1 and R102.4.2**.

R108.1.1R102.4.1 Conflicts. Where conflicts occur between provisions of this code and referenced codes and standards, the provisions of this code shall apply.

R108.1.2R102.4.2 Provisions in referenced codes and standards. Where the extent of the reference to a referenced code or standard includes subject matter that is within the scope of this code, the provisions of this code, as applicable, shall take precedence over the provisions in the referenced code or standard.

R107.1R102.5 General Partial invalidity. If a portion of this code is held to be illegal or void, such a decision shall not affect the validity of the remainder of this code.

PART 2—ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT

SECTION R103 CODE COMPLIANCE AGENCY

R103.1 Creation of enforcement agency The [INSERT NAME OF DEPARTMENT] is hereby created and the official in charge thereof shall be known as the authority having jurisdiction (AHJ). The function of the agency shall be the implementation, administration and enforcement of the provisions of this code.

R103.2 Appointment The authority having jurisdiction (AHJ) shall be appointed by the chief appointing authority of the jurisdiction.

R103.3 Deputies In accordance with the prescribed procedures of this jurisdiction and with the concurrence of the appointing authority, the authority having jurisdiction (AHJ) shall have the authority to appoint a deputy authority having jurisdiction (AHJ), other related technical officers, inspectors and other employees. Such employees shall have powers as delegated by the authority having jurisdiction (AHJ).

SECTION R102 R104

ALTERNATIVE MATERIALS, DESIGN AND METHODS OF CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPMENT

R102.1 R104.1 General. The provisions of this code are not intended to prevent the installation of any material or to prohibit any design or method of construction not specifically prescribed by this code, provided that any such alternative has been *approved*. The *code official* shall have the authority to approve an alternative material, design or method of construction upon the written application of the owner or the owner's authorized agent. The *code official* shall first find that the proposed design is satisfactory and complies with the intent of the provisions of this code, and that the material, method or work offered is, for the purpose intended, not less than the equivalent of that prescribed in this code for strength, effectiveness, fire resistance, durability, energy conservation and safety. The *code official* shall respond to the applicant, in writing, stating the reasons why the alternative was *approved* or was not *approved*.

R102.1.1 R104.1.1 Above code programs. The *code official* or other authority having jurisdiction shall be permitted to deem a national, state or local energy-efficiency program to exceed the energy efficiency required by this code. *Buildings approved* in writing by such an energy-efficiency program shall be considered to be in compliance with this code where such buildings also meet the requirements identified in **Table R405.2** and the proposed total *building thermal envelope thermal conductance TC UA*, which is the sum of U-factor times assembly area, shall be less than or equal to the *total building thermal envelope thermal conductance TC UA* using the prescriptive U-factors and F-factors from Table R402.1.2 multiplied by 1.08 in Climate Zones 0, 1, 2, and by 1.15 in Climate Zones 3 through 8, in accordance with Equation 1-1. The area-weighted maximum *fenestration SHGC* permitted in Climate Zones 0 through 3 shall be 0.30.

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For Climate Zones 0-2: $TC_{UA, \text{Proposed design}} \leq 1.08 \times TC_{UA, \text{Prescriptive reference design}}$

For Climate Zones 3-8: $TC_{UA, \text{Proposed design}} \leq 1.15 \times TC_{UA, \text{Prescriptive reference design}}$

SECTION R103 R105

CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS

R103.1 R105.1 General. *Construction documents*, technical reports and other supporting data shall be submitted in one or more sets, or in a digital format where allowed by the *code official*, with each application for a permit. The *construction documents* and technical reports shall be prepared by a registered design professional where required by the statutes of the jurisdiction in which the project is to be constructed. Where special conditions exist, the *code official* is authorized to require necessary *construction documents* to be prepared by a registered design professional.

Exception: The *code official* is authorized to waive the requirements for *construction documents* or other supporting data if the *code official* determines they are not necessary to

confirm compliance with this code.

R103.2R105.2 Information on construction documents. *Construction documents* shall be drawn to scale on suitable material. Electronic media documents are permitted to be submitted where *approved* by the *code official*. *Construction documents* shall be of sufficient clarity to indicate the location, nature and extent of the work proposed, and show in sufficient detail pertinent data and features of the *building*, systems and equipment as herein governed. Details shall include the following as applicable:

1. Energy compliance path.
2. Insulation materials and their *R*-values.
3. *Fenestration U*-factors and *solar heat gain coefficients* (SHGC).
4. Area-weighted *U*-factor and *solar heat gain coefficients* (SHGC) calculations.
5. Mechanical system design criteria.
6. Mechanical and service water-heating systems and equipment types, sizes and efficiencies.
7. Equipment and system controls.
8. *Duct* sealing, *duct* and pipe insulation and location.
9. Air sealing details.

R103.2.1R105.2.1 Building thermal envelope depiction. The *building thermal envelope* shall be represented on the *construction documents*.

R103.2.2R105.2.2 Solar-ready system. *Where a solar-ready zone is provided, the* *construction documents* shall provide details for indicate dedicated roof area for a *solar-ready zone*, structural design for roof dead load, and roof live load, ground snow load, and routing of conduit or pre-wiring from *solar-ready zone* to electrical service panel or plumbing from *solar-ready zone* to service water heating system.

R103.3R105.3 Examination of documents. The *code official* shall examine or cause to be examined the accompanying *construction documents* and shall ascertain whether the construction indicated and described is in accordance with the requirements of this code and other pertinent laws or ordinances. The *code official* is authorized to utilize a registered design professional, or other *approved* entity not affiliated with the *building* design or construction, in conducting the review of the plans and specifications for compliance with the code.

R103.3.1R105.3.1 Approval of construction documents. When the *code official* issues a permit where *construction documents* are required, the *construction documents* shall be endorsed in writing and stamped "Reviewed for Code Compliance." Such *approved construction documents* shall not be changed, modified or altered without authorization from the *code official*. Work shall be done in accordance with the *approved construction documents*.

One set of *construction documents* so reviewed shall be retained by the *code official*. The other set shall be returned to the applicant, kept at the site of work and shall be open to inspection by the *code official* or a duly authorized representative.

R103.3.2R105.3.2 Previous approvals. This code shall not require changes in the *construction documents*, construction or designated occupancy of a structure for which a lawful permit has been heretofore issued or otherwise lawfully authorized, and the construction of which has been pursued in good faith within 180 days after the effective date of this code and has not been abandoned.

R103.3.3R105.3.3 Phased approval. The *code official* shall have the authority to issue a permit for the construction of part of an energy conservation system before the *construction documents* for the entire system have been submitted or *approved*, provided adequate information and detailed statements have been filed complying with all pertinent requirements of this code. The holders of such permit shall proceed at their own risk without assurance that the permit for the entire energy conservation system will be granted.

R103.4R105.4 Amended construction documents. Work shall be installed in accordance with the *approved construction documents*, and any changes made during construction that are not in compliance with the *approved construction documents* shall be resubmitted for approval as an amended set of *construction documents*.

R103.5R105.5 Retention of construction documents. One set of *approved construction documents* shall be retained by the *code official* for a period of not less than 180 days from date of completion of the permitted work, or as required by state or local laws.

SECTION R104R106 FEES

R104.1R106.1 Payment of fees . A permit shall not be valid until the fees prescribed by law have been paid . Nor shall an amendment to a permit be released until the additional fee, if any, has been paid.

R104.2R106.2 Schedule of permit fees. Where a permit is required, a fee for each permit shall be paid as required, in accordance with the schedule as established by the applicable governing authority.

R104.3R106.3 Permit Valuation The applicant for a permit shall provide an estimated value of the work for which the permit is being issued at the time of application. Such estimated valuations shall include the total value of the work, including materials and labor. Where, in the opinion of the *code official*, the valuation is underestimated, the permit shall be denied, unless the applicant can show de-tailed estimates acceptable to the *code official*. The final valuation shall be *approved* by the *code official*.

R104.4R106.4 Work commencing before permit issuance. Any person who commences any work before obtaining the necessary permits shall be subject to a fee established by the *code official* that shall be in addition to the required permit fees.

R104.5R106.5 Related fees. The payment of the fee for the construction, *alteration*, removal or demolition of work done in connection to or concurrently with the work or activity authorized by a permit shall not relieve the applicant or holder of the permit from the payment of other fees that are prescribed by law.

R104.6R106.6 Refunds. The *code official* is authorized to establish a refund policy.

SECTION R105R107 INSPECTIONS

R105.1R107.1 General. Construction or work for which a permit is required shall be subject to inspection by the *code official* or his or her designated agent, and such construction or work shall remain visible and able to be accessed for inspection purposes until *approved*. It shall be the duty of the permit applicant to cause the work to remain visible and able to be accessed for inspection purposes. Neither the *code official* nor the jurisdiction shall be liable for expense entailed in the removal or replacement of any material, product, system or *building* component required to allow inspection to validate compliance with this code.

R105.2R107.2 Required inspections. The *code official* or his or her designated agent, upon notification, shall make the inspections set forth in **Sections R107.2.1** through **R107.2.5**.

R105.2.1R107.2.1 Footing and foundation inspection. Inspections associated with footings and foundations shall verify compliance with the code as to *R*-value, location, thickness, depth of burial and protection of insulation as required by the code and *approved* plans and specifications.

R105.2.2R107.2.2 Framing and air barrier rough-in inspection. *Air barrier* inspections at framing and rough-in shall be made before application of air permeable insulation and shall verify compliance with the code as to: fenestration properties such as *U*-factor and SHGC and proper installation; air leakage controls as required by the code; and *approved* plans and specifications. Exterior air barriers may **shall be permitted to** be inspected after insulation is installed.

R105.2.4R107.2.3 Plumbing rough-in inspection. Inspections at plumbing rough-in shall verify compliance as required by the code and *approved* plans and specifications as to types of insulation and corresponding *R*-values and protection, and required controls. Where **solar-ready zone is provided for a solar thermal system** required, inspections shall verify pathways for routing of plumbing from *solar-ready zone* to *service water heating* system.

R105.2.5R107.2.4 Mechanical rough-in inspection. Inspections at mechanical rough-in shall verify compliance as required by the code and *approved* plans and specifications as to installed HVAC equipment type and size, required controls, system insulation and corresponding *R*-value, system air leakage control, programmable thermostats, dampers, whole-house *ventilation*, and minimum fan efficiency.

Exception: Systems serving multiple dwelling units shall be inspected in accordance with **Section C105.2.4**.

R105.2.6R107.2.5 Electrical rough-in inspection. Inspections at electrical rough-in shall verify compliance as required by the code and the *approved* plans and specifications as to the locations, distribution, and capacity of the electrical system. Where the *solar-ready zone* is installed for electricity generation, inspections shall verify conduit or pre-wiring from *solar-ready zone* to electrical panel.

R105.2.3R107.2.6 Insulation and fenestration rough-in inspection Inspections at insulation and *fenestration* rough-in shall be made before application of interior finish and shall verify compliance with the code as to: types of insulation and corresponding *R*-values and their correct location and proper in-stallation; *fenestration* properties such as *U*-factor and SHGC and proper installation.

R105.2.7R107.2.7 Final inspection. The *building* shall have a final inspection and shall not be occupied until *approved*. The final inspection shall include verification of the installation of all required *building* systems, equipment and controls and their proper operation and the required number of high-efficacy lamps and fixtures.

R105.3R107.3 Reinspection. A *building* shall be reinspected where determined necessary by the *code official*.

R105.4R107.4 Approved third party inspection agencies. The *code official* is authorized to accept reports of third-party inspection agencies not affiliated with the *building* design or construction, provided that such agencies are *approved* as to qualifications and reliability relevant to the *building* components and systems that they are inspecting **or testing, and approval is granted**

prior to issuance of the building permit.

R107.4.1 Authorization of approved third party inspection agency An *approved* third-party inspection agency shall provide all requested information for the *code official* to determine that the agency meets the applicable requirements specified in Sections R107.4.1.1 through R107.4.1.3 and to authorize its work in the jurisdiction.

R107.4.1.1 Independence An *approved* third-party inspection agency shall be an independent business identity. The agency shall perform its duties in accordance with the scope of delegated responsibilities established by the *code official*. The agency shall disclose to the *code official* any conflicts of interest including where fees for service are derived. The agency shall acknowledge in writing that it is only authorized to work within the scope of delegated responsibilities.

R107.4.1.2 Equipment An *approved* third-party inspection agency shall have adequate equipment to perform inspections and tests required by the *code official* and this code. All testing equipment shall be periodically calibrated as required by the manufacturer, testing standards used in this code, or certifications held by the *approved* third-party inspection agency.

R107.4.1.3 Personnel Personnel assigned by an *approved* third-party inspection agency to perform inspections and testing shall be trained or credentialed and documentation of training or credentials shall be available to *code official* upon request.

R107.4.1.4 Delegated authority Where *approved*, a third-party inspection agency shall have the authority to perform delegated inspections and determine compliance or noncompliance of work with *approved construction documents*.

R107.4.2 Approved third party inspection agency reporting An *approved* third-party inspection agency shall keep records of delegated inspections, tests, and compliance documentation required by this code. The agency shall submit reports of delegated inspections and tests to the *code official* and to the owner or owner's representative. Reports shall indicate the compliance determination for the inspected or tested work based on *approved construction documents*. A final report documenting required delegated inspections and tests, and correction of any discrepancies noted in the inspections or tests, shall be submitted, with other required compliance documentation, at a time required by the *code official*.

~~R105.5~~**R107.5 Inspection requests.** It shall be the duty of the holder of the permit or their duly authorized agent to notify the *code official* when work is ready for inspection. It shall be the duty of the permit holder to provide access to and means for inspections of such work that are required by this code.

~~R105.6~~**R107.6 Reinspection and testing.** Where any work or installation does not pass an initial test or inspection, the necessary corrections shall be made to achieve compliance with this code. The work or installation shall then be resubmitted to the *code official* for inspection and testing.

SECTION ~~R106~~R108 NOTICE OF APPROVAL

~~R106.1~~**R108.1 Approval.** After the prescribed tests and inspections indicate that the work complies in all respects with this code, a notice of approval shall be issued by the *code official*.

~~R106.2~~**R108.2 Revocation.** The *code official* is authorized to, in writing, suspend or revoke a notice of approval issued under the provisions of this code wherever the certificate is issued in error, or on the basis of incorrect information supplied, or where it is determined that the *building* or structure, premise, or portion thereof is in violation of any ordinance or regulation or any of the

provisions of this code.

SECTION R109 STOP WORK ORDER

R109.1 Authority. Where the *code official* finds any work regulated by this code being performed in a manner contrary to the provisions of this code or in a dangerous or unsafe manner, the *code official* is authorized to issue a stop work order.

R109.2 Issuance. The stop work order shall be in writing and shall be given to the owner of the property, the owner's authorized agent or the person performing the work. Upon issuance of a stop work order, the cited work shall immediately cease. The stop work order shall state the reason for the order and the conditions under which the cited work is authorized to resume.

R109.3 Emergencies. Where an emergency exists, the *code official* shall not be required to give a written notice prior to stopping the work.

R109.4 Failure to comply. Any person who shall continue any work after having been served with a stop work order, except such work as that person is directed to perform to remove a violation or unsafe condition, shall be subject to fines established by the authority having jurisdiction.

SECTION R110 MEANS OF APPEALS

R110.1 General. In order to hear and decide appeals of orders, decisions or determinations made by the *code official* relative to the application and interpretation of this code, there shall be and is hereby created a board of appeals. The board of appeals shall be appointed by the applicable governing authority and shall hold office at its pleasure. The board shall adopt rules of procedure for conducting its business and shall render all decisions and findings in writing to the appellant with a duplicate copy to the *code official*.

R110.2 Limitations on authority. An application for appeal shall be based on a claim that the true intent of this code or the rules legally adopted thereunder have been incorrectly interpreted, the provisions of this code do not fully apply or an equivalent or better form of construction is proposed. The board shall not have authority to waive requirements of this code ~~or interpret the administration of this code.~~

R110.3 Qualifications. The board of appeals shall consist of members who are qualified by experience and training [on matters pertaining to the provisions of this code](#) and are not employees of the jurisdiction.

R110.4 Administration. The *code official* shall take ~~immediate~~ action [without delay](#) in accordance with the decision of the board.

~~SECTION R108~~**R112** ~~REFERENCED STANDARDS~~

~~SECTION R107~~**R113** ~~VALIDITY~~

CHAPTER 2 [RE] DEFINITIONS

User note:

About this chapter: Codes, by their very nature, are technical documents. Every word, term and punctuation mark can add to or change the meaning of a technical requirement. It is necessary to maintain a consensus on the specific meaning of each term contained in the code. **Chapter 2** performs this function by stating clearly what specific terms mean for the purpose of the code.

SECTION R201 GENERAL

R201.1 Scope. Unless stated otherwise, the following words and terms in this code shall have the meanings indicated in this chapter.

R201.2 Interchangeability. Words used in the present tense include the future; words in the masculine gender include the feminine and neuter; the singular number includes the plural and the plural includes the singular.

R201.3 Terms defined in other codes. Terms that are not defined in this code but are defined in the *International Building Code*, *International Fire Code*, *International Fuel Gas Code*, *International Mechanical Code*, *International Plumbing Code* or the *International Residential Code* shall have the meanings ascribed to them in those codes.

R201.4 Terms not defined. Terms not defined by this chapter shall have ordinarily accepted meanings such as the context implies.

SECTION R202 GENERAL DEFINITIONS

ABOVE-GRADE WALL. A wall more than 50 percent above grade and enclosing *conditioned space*. This includes between-floor spandrels, peripheral edges of floors, roof and basement knee walls, dormer walls, gable end walls, walls enclosing a mansard roof and *skylight* shafts.

ACCESS (TO). That which enables a device, appliance or equipment to be reached by *ready access* or by a means that first requires the removal or movement of a panel or similar obstruction.

ADDITION. An extension or increase in the ~~*conditioned space*~~ floor area, number of stories or height of a *building* or structure.

AIR BARRIER. One or more materials joined together in a continuous manner to restrict or prevent the passage of air through the *building thermal envelope* and its assemblies.

AIR-HANDLING UNIT. A blower or fan used for the purpose of distributing supply air to a room, space or area.

ALTERATION. Any construction, retrofit or renovation to an existing structure other than ~~*repair*~~ or ~~*addition*~~. Also, a change in a building, electrical, gas, mechanical or plumbing system that involves an extension, addition or change to the arrangement, type or purpose of the original installation. *construction or renovation to an existing structure other than a repair or addition.*

APPROVED. Acceptable to the *code official*.

APPROVED AGENCY. An established and recognized agency that is regularly engaged in conducting tests furnishing inspection services, or furnishing product certification, where such agency has been *approved* by the *code official*.

APPROVED SOURCE. An independent person, firm or corporation, approved by the *code official*,

who is competent and experienced in the application of engineering principles to materials, methods or system analyses.

AUTOMATIC. Self-acting, operating by its own mechanism when actuated by some impersonal influence, as, for example, a change in current strength, pressure, temperature or mechanical configuration (see "*Manual*").

AUTOMATIC SHUT-OFF CONTROL. A device capable of automatically turning loads off without *manual* intervention. *Automatic* shut-off controls include devices such as, but not limited to, occupancy sensors, vacancy sensors, door switches, programmable time switches (i.e., timeclocks), or count-down timers.

AUTOMOBILE PARKING SPACE. A space within a *building* or private or public parking lot, exclusive of driveways, ramps, columns, office and work areas, for the parking of an automobile

BALANCED VENTILATION SYSTEM. A *ventilation* system that simultaneously supplies outdoor air to and exhausts air from a space, where the mechanical supply airflow rate and the mechanical exhaust airflow rate are each within 10 percent of the average of the two airflow rates.

BASEMENT WALL. A wall 50 percent or more below grade and enclosing *conditioned space*.

BIODIESEL BLEND. A homogeneous mixture of hydrocarbon oils and mono alkyl esters of long chain fatty acids.

BUILDING. Any structure used or intended for supporting or sheltering any use or occupancy, including any mechanical systems, service water-heating systems and electric power and lighting systems located on the *building* site and supporting the *building*.

BUILDING SITE. A contiguous area of land that is under the ownership or control of one entity.

BUILDING THERMAL ENVELOPE. The *basement walls*, *exterior walls*, floors, ceiling, roofs and any other *building* element assemblies that enclose *conditioned space* or provide a boundary between *conditioned space* and exempt or unconditioned space.

CAVITY INSULATION. Insulating material located between framing members.

CIRCULATING HOT WATER SYSTEM. A specifically designed water distribution system where one or more pumps are operated in the service hot water piping to circulate heated water from the water-heating equipment to fixtures and back to the water-heating equipment.

CLIMATE ZONE. A geographical region based on climatic criteria as specified in this code.

CODE OFFICIAL. The officer or other designated authority charged with the administration and enforcement of this code or a duly authorized representative.

COMMERCIAL BUILDING. For this code, all buildings that are not included in the definition of "*Residential building*."

COMMON AREAS. All conditioned spaces within Group R occupancy buildings that are not *dwelling units* or *sleeping units*

CONDITIONED FLOOR AREA. The horizontal projection of the floors associated with the *conditioned space*.

CONDITIONED SPACE. An area, room or space that is enclosed within the *building thermal envelope* and that is directly or indirectly heated or cooled. Spaces are indirectly heated or cooled where they communicate through openings with conditioned spaces, where they are separated from conditioned spaces by uninsulated walls, floors or ceilings, or where they contain uninsulated *ducts*, piping or other sources of heating or cooling.

CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS. Written, graphic and pictorial documents prepared or

assembled for describing the design, location and physical characteristics of the elements of a project necessary for obtaining a building permit.

CONTINUOUS AIR BARRIER. A combination of materials and assemblies that restrict or prevent the passage of air through the *building thermal envelope*.

CONTINUOUS INSULATION (ci). Insulating material that is continuous across all structural members without thermal bridges other than fasteners and service openings. It is installed on the interior or exterior, or is integral to any opaque surface, of the *building thermal envelope*.

~~**PILOT LIGHT, CONTINUOUSLY BURNING.**~~ **CONTINUOUS PILOT.** A small gas flame used to ignite gas at a larger burner. Once lit, a continuously pilot light remains in operation until manually interrupted. Pilot light ignition systems with the ability to switch between intermittent and continuous mode are considered continuous. **Pilot which, once placed in operation, is intended to remain ignited continuously until it is manually interrupted.**

CRAWL SPACE WALL. The opaque portion of a wall that encloses a crawl space and is partially or totally below grade.

CURTAIN WALL. *Fenestration* products used to create an external nonload-bearing wall that is designed to separate the exterior and interior environments.

DAMPER. A manually or automatically controlled device to regulate draft or the rate of flow of air or combustion gases.

DEMAND RECIRCULATION WATER SYSTEM. A water distribution system where one or more pumps prime the service hot water piping with heated water upon demand for hot water.

DEMAND RESPONSE SIGNAL. A signal that indicates a price or a request to modify electricity consumption for a limited time period

DEMAND RESPONSIVE CONTROL. A control capable of receiving and automatically responding to a *demand response signal*.

DIMMER. A control device that is capable of continuously varying the light output and energy use of light sources.

DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM EFFICIENCY (DSE). A system efficiency factor that adjusts for the energy losses associated with delivery of energy from the equipment to the source of the load.

DUCT. A tube or conduit utilized for conveying air. The air passages of self-contained systems are not to be construed as air ducts.

~~**DUCT SYSTEM.**~~ A continuous passageway for the transmission of air that, in addition to ducts, includes *duct fittings, dampers, plenums, fans and accessory air handling equipment and appliances.* **A system that consists of space conditioning equipment, ductwork, and includes any apparatus installed in connection therewith.**

DUCTWORK. The assemblies of connected *ducts, plenums, boots, fittings, dampers, supply registers, return grilles, and filter grilles* through which air is supplied to or returned from the space to be heated, cooled, or ventilated. Supply *ductwork* delivers air to the spaces from the *space conditioning equipment*. Return *ductwork* conveys air from the spaces back to the *space conditioning equipment*. *Ventilation ductwork* conveys air to or from any space.

DWELLING UNIT. A single unit providing complete independent living facilities for one or more persons, including permanent provisions for living, sleeping, eating, cooking and sanitation.

DWELLING UNIT ENCLOSURE AREA. The sum of the area of ceiling, floors, and walls separating a *dwelling unit's conditioned space* from the exterior or from adjacent conditioned or

unconditioned spaces. Wall height shall be measured from the finished floor of the *dwelling unit* to the underside of the floor above.

ELECTRIC VEHICLE (EV). An automotive-type vehicle for on-road use, such as passenger automobiles, buses, trucks, vans, neighborhood electric vehicles, and electric motorcycles, primarily powered by an electric motor that draws current from a *building* electrical service, EVSE, a rechargeable storage battery, a fuel cell, a photovoltaic array, or another source of electric current.

ELECTRIC VEHICLE CAPABLE SPACE (EV CAPABLE SPACE). A designated *automobile parking space* that is provided with electrical infrastructure, such as, but not limited to, raceways, cables, electrical capacity, and panelboard or other electrical distribution equipment space, necessary for the future installation of an EVSE.

ELECTRIC VEHICLE READY SPACE (EV READY SPACE). An *automobile parking space* that is provided with a branch circuit and either an outlet, junction box or receptacle, that will support an installed EVSE.

ELECTRIC VEHICLE SUPPLY EQUIPMENT (EVSE). Equipment for plug-in power transfer including the ungrounded, grounded and equipment grounding conductors, and the electric vehicle connectors, attached plugs, personal protection system and all other fittings, devices, power outlets or apparatus installed specifically for the purpose of transferring energy between the premises wiring and the electric vehicle.

ELECTRIC VEHICLE SUPPLY EQUIPMENT INSTALLED SPACE (EVSE SPACE). An *automobile parking space* that is provided with a dedicated EVSE connection

EMITTANCE. The ratio of the radiant heat flux emitted by a specimen ~~to that emitted by a blackbody at the same temperature and under the same conditions~~ **measured on a scale from 0 to 1, where a value of 1 indicates perfect emission.**

ENCLOSED REFLECTIVE AIR SPACE. .. An unventilated cavity with a low-*emittance* surface bounded on all sides by *building* components.

ENERGY ANALYSIS. A method for estimating the annual energy use of the *proposed design* and *standard reference design* based on estimates of energy use.

ENERGY COST. The total estimated annual cost for purchased energy for the *building* functions regulated by this code, including applicable demand charges.

ENERGY RATING INDEX (ERI). A numerical integer value that represents the relative energy performance of a *rated design* ~~Rated Home~~ **or constructed *dwelling unit*** as compared with the energy performance of the ERI Reference Design, where an ERI value of 100 represents the energy performance of the *ERI Reference Design* and an ERI value of 0 represents a *rated design or constructed dwelling unit* ~~home~~ with zero net energy performance.

ENERGY SIMULATION TOOL. An *approved* software program or calculation-based methodology that projects the annual energy use of a *building*.

ERI REFERENCE DESIGN. A version of the *rated design* that meets the minimum requirements of the 2006 *International Energy Conservation Code*.

EXISTING BUILDING. A *building* erected prior to the date of adoption of the appropriate code, or one for which a legal building permit has been issued.

EXTERIOR WALL. Walls including both *above-grade walls* and *basement walls*.

~~**EXTERIOR WALL ENVELOPE.** A system or assembly of exterior wall components, including exterior wall finish materials, that provides protection of the building structural or non-~~

~~structural members, including framing and sheathing materials, and conditioned interior space, from the detrimental effects of the exterior environment.~~

FENESTRATION. Products classified as either *vertical fenestration* or *skylights*.

Skylights. Glass or other transparent or translucent glazing material installed at a slope of less than 60 degrees (1.05 rad) from horizontal including unit skylights, tubular daylighting devices, and glazing materials in solariums, sunrooms, roofs and sloped walls.

Vertical fenestration. Windows that are fixed or operable, opaque doors, glazed doors, glazed block and combination opaque/glazed doors composed of glass or other transparent or translucent glazing materials and installed at a slope of not less than 60 degrees (1.05 rad) from horizontal.

FENESTRATION PRODUCT, SITE-BUILT. A *fenestration* designed to be made up of field-glazed or field-assembled units using specific factory cut or otherwise factory-formed framing and glazing units. Examples of site-built *fenestration* include storefront systems, curtain walls and atrium roof systems.

F-FACTOR (THERMAL TRANSMITTANCE). The perimeter heat loss factor for slab-on-grade floors (Btu/h·ft·°F) [W/(m·K)].

FUEL GAS. A natural gas, manufactured gas, liquefied petroleum gas or a mixture of these.

FUEL OIL. Kerosene or any hydrocarbon oil having a flash point not less than 100°F (38°C).

GRADE PLANE. A reference plane representing the average of the finished ground level adjoining the *building* at all exterior walls. Where the finished ground level slopes away from the *exterior wall*, the reference plane shall be established by the lowest points within the area between the *building* and the lot line or, where the lot line is more than 6 feet (1829 mm) from the *building* between the structure and a point 6 feet (1829 mm) from the *building*.

HEAT EXCHANGER. A device that transfers heat from one medium to another.

HEATED SLAB. Slab-on-grade construction in which the heating elements, hydronic tubing, or hot air distribution system is in contact with, or placed within or under, the slab.

HIGH-EFFICACY LIGHT SOURCES.

HISTORIC BUILDING. Any *building* or structure that is one or more of the following:

1. Listed, or certified as eligible for listing by the State Historic Preservation Officer or the Keeper of the National Register of Historic Places, in the National Register of Historic Places.
2. Designated as historic under an applicable state or local law.
3. Certified as a contributing resource within a National Register-listed, state-designated or locally designated historic district.

INFILTRATION. The uncontrolled inward air leakage into a *building* caused by the pressure effects of wind or the effect of differences in the indoor and outdoor air density or both.

INSULATED SIDING. A type of continuous insulation with manufacturer-installed insulating material as an integral part of the cladding product having an *R*-value of not less than R-2.

~~**PILOT LIGHT, INTERMITTENT.** A pilot which is automatically ignited when an appliance is called on to operate and which remains continuously ignited during each period of main burner operation. The pilot is automatically extinguished when each main burner operating cycle is completed.~~ **INTERMITTENT IGNITION.** Type of ignition which is energized when an appliance is called on to operate and which remains continuously energized during each period of main burner operation

and where the ignition is deenergized when the main burner operating cycle is completed.

~~**PILOT LIGHT, INTERRUPTED.**~~ **INTERRUPTED IGNITION.** A pilot which is automatically ignited prior to the admission of fuel to the main burner and which is automatically extinguished after the main flame is established. Type of ignition which is energized prior to the admission of fuel to the main burner and which is deenergized when the main flame is established.

KNEE WALL. An *above-grade wall* assembly, or wall defined by vertical truss members, of any height that separate *conditioned space* from unconditioned buffer spaces, such as ventilated attics and entry porch roofs, rather than ambient outdoors.

LABELED. Equipment, materials or products to which have been affixed a label, seal, symbol or other identifying mark of a nationally recognized testing laboratory, *approved* agency or other organization concerned with product evaluation that maintains periodic inspection of the production of such *labeled* items and whose labeling indicates either that the equipment, material or product meets identified standards or has been tested and found suitable for a specified purpose.

LIQUID FUEL. A *fuel oil or biodiesel blend*.

LISTED. Equipment, materials, products or services included in a list published by an organization acceptable to the *code official* and concerned with evaluation of products or services that maintains periodic inspection of production of *listed* equipment or materials or periodic evaluation of services and whose listing states either that the equipment, material, product or service meets identified standards or has been tested and found suitable for a specified purpose.

LIVING SPACE. Space within a *dwelling unit* utilized for living, sleeping, eating, cooking, bathing, washing and sanitation purposes.

~~**LOW-SLOPED ROOF.**~~ **LOW SLOPE.** A roof slope less than 2 units vertical in 12 units horizontal (17 percent slope).

MANUAL. Capable of being operated by personal intervention (see “**Automatic**”).

OCCUPANT SENSOR CONTROL. An *automatic* control device that detects the presence or absence of people within an area and causes lighting, equipment or appliances to be regulated accordingly.

OCCUPIABLE SPACE. An enclosed space intended for human activities, excluding those spaces intended primarily for other purposes, such as storage rooms and equipment rooms, that are only intended to be occupied occasionally and for short periods of time.

~~**PILOT LIGHT, ON-DEMAND.**~~ **ON-DEMAND PILOT.** A pilot which, once placed into operation, is intended to remain ignited for a predetermined period of time following an *automatic or manual* operation of the main burner gas valve. A pilot which, once placed into operation, is intended to remain ignited for a predetermined period of time following an *automatic or manual* operation of the main burner gas valve, after which the pilot is automatically extinguished when no automatic or manual operation of the main burner gas valve occurs during the predetermined period of time.

ON-SITE RENEWABLE ENERGY. Energy from *renewable energy resources* harvested at the *building* site.

OPAQUE DOOR. A door that is not less than 50-percent opaque in surface area.

PLENUM. An enclosed portion of the *building* structure, other than an *occupiable space* being conditioned, that is designed to allow air movement, and thereby serve as part of the supply or return *ductwork*.

PROPOSED DESIGN. A description of the proposed *building dwelling unit* used to estimate

annual energy use for determining compliance based on *simulated building performance*.

RADIANT BARRIER. A material having a low *emittance* surface of 0.1 or less installed in *building assemblies*.

RATED DESIGN. A description of the proposed *building dwelling unit* used to determine the energy rating index.

READY ACCESS (TO). That which enables a device, appliance or equipment to be directly reached without requiring the removal or movement of any panel or similar obstruction.

REFLECTIVE INSULATION. A material with a surface *emittance* of 0.1 or less in an assembly consisting of one or more enclosed reflective air spaces.

RENEWABLE ENERGY CERTIFICATE (REC). A market based instrument that represents and conveys the environmental attributes of one megawatt hour of renewable electricity generation and could be sold separately from the underlying physical electricity associated with *renewable energy resources* ; also known as an energy attribute and energy attribute certificate (EAC).

RENEWABLE ENERGY RESOURCES. Energy derived from solar radiation, wind, waves, tides, landfill gas, biogas, biomass or extracted from hot fluid or steam heated within the earth.

REPAIR. The reconstruction, *replacement* or renewal of any part of an existing *building* for the purpose of its maintenance or to correct damage.

REROOFING. The process of recovering or replacing an existing roof covering. See "**Roof recover**" and "**Roof replacement**."

RESIDENTIAL BUILDING. For this code, includes detached one- and two-family dwellings and townhouses as well as *Group R-2, R-3 and R-4* buildings three stories or less in height above *grade plane*.

ROOF ASSEMBLY. A system designed to provide weather protection and resistance to design loads. The system consists of a roof covering and roof deck or a single component serving as both the roof covering and the roof deck. A *roof assembly* includes the roof covering, underlayment and roof deck and can also include a thermal barrier, an ignition barrier, insulation or a vapor retarder.

ROOF RECOVER. The process of installing an additional roof covering over an existing roof covering without removing the existing roof covering.

ROOF REPAIR. Reconstruction or renewal of any part of an existing roof for the purposes of its maintenance.

ROOF REPLACEMENT. An *alteration* that includes the removal of all existing layers of *roof assembly* materials down to the roof deck and installing replacement materials above the existing roof deck.

R-VALUE (THERMAL RESISTANCE). The inverse of the time rate of heat flow through a body from one of its bounding surfaces to the other surface for a unit temperature difference between the two surfaces, under steady state conditions, per unit area ($h \times ft^2 \times ^\circ F/Btu$) [$(m^2 \times K)/W$].

SERVICE WATER HEATING. Supply of hot water for purposes other than comfort heating.

SIMULATED BUILDING PERFORMANCE. A process in which the proposed *building* design is compared to a *standard reference design* for the purposes of estimating relative energy use against a *baseline* to determine code compliance.

SOLAR HEAT GAIN COEFFICIENT (SHGC). The ratio of the solar heat gain entering the space through the *fenestration* assembly to the incident solar radiation. Solar heat gain includes directly transmitted solar heat and absorbed solar radiation that is then reradiated, conducted or

convected into the space.

SOLAR-READY ZONE. A section or sections of the roof or building overhang designated and reserved for the future installation of a solar photovoltaic or solar thermal system.

SPACE CONDITIONING. The treatment of air so as to control the temperature, humidity, filtration or distribution of the air to meet the requirements of a conditioned space.

SPACE CONDITIONING EQUIPMENT. The *heat exchangers, air-handling units, filter boxes, and any apparatus installed in connection therewith used to provide space conditioning.*

STANDARD REFERENCE DESIGN. A version of the *proposed design* that meets the minimum requirements of this code and is used to determine the maximum annual energy use requirement for compliance based on *simulated building performance.*

STEEP-SLOPED ROOF. **STEEP SLOPE.** A roof slope 2 units vertical in 12 units horizontal (17 percent slope) or greater.

SUBSTANTIAL IMPROVEMENT. Any *repair, reconstruction, rehabilitation, alteration, addition* or other improvement of a *building* or structure, the cost of which equals or is more than 50 percent of the market value of the structure before the improvement. Where the structure has sustained substantial damage, as defined in the *International Building Code*, any repairs are considered *substantial improvement* regardless of the actual *repair* work performed. *Substantial improvement* does not include the following:

1. Improvement of a *building* required to correct health, sanitary or safety code violations ordered by the *code official.*
2. *Alteration* of a historic *building* where the *alteration* will not affect the designation as a historic *building.*

SUNROOM. A one-story structure attached to a dwelling with a glazing area in excess of 40 percent of the gross area of the structure's *exterior walls* and roof.

THERMAL DISTRIBUTION EFFICIENCY (TDE). The resistance to changes in air heat as air is conveyed through a distance of air *duct.* TDE is a heat loss calculation evaluating the difference in the heat of the air between the air *duct* inlet and outlet caused by differences in temperatures between the air in the *duct* and the *duct* material. TDE is expressed as a percent difference between the inlet and outlet heat in the *duct.*

THERMAL ISOLATION. Physical and *space conditioning* separation from *conditioned spaces.* The *conditioned spaces* shall be controlled as separate zones for heating and cooling or conditioned by separate equipment.

THERMOSTAT. An *automatic* control device used to maintain temperature at a fixed or adjustable setpoint.

U-FACTOR (THERMAL TRANSMITTANCE). The coefficient of heat transmission (air to air) through a *building* component or assembly, equal to the time rate of heat flow per unit area and unit temperature difference between the warm side and cold side air films (Btu/h × ft² × °F) [W/(m² × K)].

VENTILATION. The natural or mechanical process of supplying conditioned or unconditioned air to, or removing such air from, any space.

VENTILATION AIR. That portion of supply air that comes from outside (outdoors) plus any recirculated air that has been treated to maintain the desired quality of air within a designated space.

VISIBLE TRANSMITTANCE (VT). The ratio of visible light entering the space through the

fenestration product assembly to the incident visible light. Visible Transmittance includes the effects of glazing material and frame and is expressed as a number between 0 and 1.

WHOLE HOUSE MECHANICAL VENTILATION SYSTEM. An exhaust system, supply system, or combination thereof that is designed to mechanically exchange indoor air with outdoor air when operating continuously or through a programmed intermittent schedule to satisfy the whole house *ventilation* rates.

WORK AREA. That portion or portions of a *building* consisting of all reconfigured spaces as indicated on the *construction documents*. *Work area* excludes other portions of the *building* where incidental work entailed by the intended work must be performed and portions of the *building* where work not initially intended by the owner is specifically required by this code.

ZONAL HEATING. ~~A heating system in which each zone or room has a separate heater with a single controller in each zone.~~

ZONE. A space or group of spaces within a *building* with heating or cooling requirements that are sufficiently similar so that desired conditions can be maintained throughout using a single controlling device.

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CHAPTER 3 [RE] GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

User note:

About this chapter: Chapter 3 addresses broadly applicable requirements that would not be at home in other chapters having more specific coverage of subject matter. This chapter establishes climate zone by US counties and territories and includes methodology for determining climate zones elsewhere. It also contains product rating, marking and installation requirements for materials such as insulation, windows, doors and siding.

SECTION R301 CLIMATE ZONES

R301.1 General. Climate zones from **Figure R301.1** or **Table R301.1** shall be used for determining the applicable requirements from **Chapter 4**. Locations not indicated in **Table R301.1** shall be assigned a *climate zone* in accordance with **Section R301.3**.



~~FIGURE R301.1~~

**FIGURE R301.1
CLIMATE ZONES**

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**TABLE R301.1
CLIMATE ZONES, MOISTURE REGIMES, AND WARM HUMID DESIGNATIONS BY STATE,
COUNTY AND TERRITORY^a**

<u>US STATES</u>
ALABAMA
3A Autauga*
2A Baldwin*
3A Barbour*
3A Bibb
3A Blount
3A Bullock*
3A Butler*
3A Calhoun
3A Chambers
3A Cherokee
3A Chilton
3A Choctaw*
3A Clarke*
3A Clay
3A Cleburne
2A Coffee*
3A Colbert
3A Conecuh*
3A Coosa
2A Covington*
3A Crenshaw*
3A Cullman
2A Dale*
3A Dallas*
3A DeKalb
3A Elmore*
2A Escambia*
3A Etowah
3A Fayette
3A Franklin

2A Geneva*
3A Greene
3A Hale
2A Henry*
2A Houston*
3A Jackson
3A Jefferson
3A Lamar
3A Lauderdale
3A Lawrence
3A Lee
3A Limestone
3A Lowndes*
3A Macon*
3A Madison
3A Marengo*
3A Marion
3A Marshall
2A Mobile*
3A Monroe*
3A Montgomery*
3A Morgan
3A Perry*
3A Pickens
3A Pike*
3A Randolph
3A Russell*
3A Shelby
3A St. Clair
3A Sumter
3A Talladega
3A Tallapoosa
3A Tuscaloosa
3A Walker
3A Washington*

3A Wilcox*
3A Winston
ALASKA
7 Aleutians East
7 Aleutians West
7 Anchorage
7 Bethel
7 Bristol Bay
8 Denali
7 Dillingham
8 Fairbanks North Star
6A Haines
6A Juneau
7 Kenai Peninsula
5C Ketchikan Gateway
6A Kodiak Island
7 Lake and Peninsula
7 Matanuska-Susitna
8 Nome
8 North Slope
8 Northwest Arctic
5C Prince of Wales Outer Ketchikan
5C Sitka
6A Skagway-Hoonah-Angoon
8 Southeast Fairbanks
7 Valdez-Cordova
8 Wade Hampton
6A Wrangell-Petersburg
7 Yakutat
8 Yukon-Koyukuk
ARIZONA
5B Apache
3B Cochise
5B Coconino
4B Gila

3B Graham
3B Greenlee
2B La Paz
2B Maricopa
3B Mohave
5B Navajo
2B Pima
2B Pinal
3B Santa Cruz
4B Yavapai
2B Yuma
ARKANSAS
3A Arkansas
3A Ashley
4A Baxter
4A Benton
4A Boone
3A Bradley
3A Calhoun
4A Carroll
3A Chicot
3A Clark
3A Clay
3A Cleburne
3A Cleveland
3A Columbia*
3A Conway
3A Craighead
3A Crawford
3A Crittenden
3A Cross
3A Dallas
3A Desha
3A Drew
3A Faulkner

3A Franklin
4A Fulton
3A Garland
3A Grant
3A Greene
3A Hempstead*
3A Hot Spring
3A Howard
3A Independence
4A Izard
3A Jackson
3A Jefferson
3A Johnson
3A Lafayette*
3A Lawrence
3A Lee
3A Lincoln
3A Little River*
3A Logan
3A Lonoke
4A Madison
4A Marion
3A Miller*
3A Mississippi
3A Monroe
3A Montgomery
3A Nevada
4A Newton
3A Ouachita
3A Perry
3A Phillips
3A Pike
3A Poinsett
3A Polk
3A Pope

3A Prairie
3A Pulaski
3A Randolph
3A Saline
3A Scott
4A Searcy
3A Sebastian
3A Sevier*
3A Sharp
3A St. Francis
4A Stone
3A Union*
3A Van Buren
4A Washington
3A White
3A Woodruff
3A Yell
CALIFORNIA
3C Alameda
6B Alpine
4B Amador
3B Butte
4B Calaveras
3B Colusa
3B Contra Costa
4C Del Norte
4B El Dorado
3B Fresno
3B Glenn
4C Humboldt
2B Imperial
4B Inyo
3B Kern
3B Kings
4B Lake

5B Lassen
3B Los Angeles
3B Madera
3C Marin
4B Mariposa
3C Mendocino
3B Merced
5B Modoc
6B Mono
3C Monterey
3C Napa
5B Nevada
3B Orange
3B Placer
5B Plumas
3B Riverside
3B Sacramento
3C San Benito
3B San Bernardino
3B San Diego
3C San Francisco
3B San Joaquin
3C San Luis Obispo
3C San Mateo
3C Santa Barbara
3C Santa Clara
3C Santa Cruz
3B Shasta
5B Sierra
5B Siskiyou
3B Solano
3C Sonoma
3B Stanislaus
3B Sutter
3B Tehama

4B Trinity
3B Tulare
4B Tuolumne
3C Ventura
3B Yolo
3B Yuba
COLORADO
5B Adams
6B Alamosa
5B Arapahoe
6B Archuleta
4B Baca
4B Bent
5B Boulder
5B Broomfield
6B Chaffee
5B Cheyenne
7 Clear Creek
6B Conejos
6B Costilla
5B Crowley
5B Custer
5B Delta
5B Denver
6B Dolores
5B Douglas
6B Eagle
5B Elbert
5B El Paso
5B Fremont
5B Garfield
5B Gilpin
7 Grand
7 Gunnison
7 Hinsdale

5B Huerfano
7 Jackson
5B Jefferson
5B Kiowa
5B Kit Carson
7 Lake
5B La Plata
5B Larimer
4B Las Animas
5B Lincoln
5B Logan
5B Mesa
7 Mineral
6B Moffat
5B Montezuma
5B Montrose
5B Morgan
4B Otero
6B Ouray
7 Park
5B Phillips
7 Pitkin
4B Prowers
5B Pueblo
6B Rio Blanco
7 Rio Grande
7 Routt
6B Saguache
7 San Juan
6B San Miguel
5B Sedgwick
7 Summit
5B Teller
5B Washington
5B Weld

5B Yuma
CONNECTICUT
5A (all)
DELAWARE
4A (all)
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
4A (all)
FLORIDA
2A Alachua*
2A Baker*
2A Bay*
2A Bradford*
2A Brevard*
1A Broward*
2A Calhoun*
2A Charlotte*
2A Citrus*
2A Clay*
2A Collier*
2A Columbia*
2A DeSoto*
2A Dixie*
2A Duval*
2A Escambia*
2A Flagler*
2A Franklin*
2A Gadsden*
2A Gilchrist*
2A Glades*
2A Gulf*
2A Hamilton*
2A Hardee*
2A Hendry*
2A Hernando*
2A Highlands*

2A Hillsborough*
2A Holmes*
2A Indian River*
2A Jackson*
2A Jefferson*
2A Lafayette*
2A Lake*
2A Lee*
2A Leon*
2A Levy*
2A Liberty*
2A Madison*
2A Manatee*
2A Marion*
2A Martin*
1A Miami-Dade*
1A Monroe*
2A Nassau*
2A Okaloosa*
2A Okeechobee*
2A Orange*
2A Osceola*
1A Palm Beach*
2A Pasco*
2A Pinellas*
2A Polk*
2A Putnam*
2A Santa Rosa*
2A Sarasota*
2A Seminole*
2A St. Johns*
2A St. Lucie*
2A Sumter*
2A Suwannee*
2A Taylor*

2A Union*
2A Volusia*
2A Wakulla*
2A Walton*
2A Washington*
GEORGIA
2A Appling*
2A Atkinson*
2A Bacon*
2A Baker*
3A Baldwin
3A Banks
3A Barrow
3A Bartow
3A Ben Hill*
2A Berrien*
3A Bibb
3A Bleckley*
2A Brantley*
2A Brooks*
2A Bryan*
3A Bulloch*
3A Burke
3A Butts
2A Calhoun*
2A Camden*
3A Candler*
3A Carroll
3A Catoosa
2A Charlton*
2A Chatham*
3A Chattahoochee*
3A Chattooga
3A Cherokee
3A Clarke

3A Clay*
3A Clayton
2A Clinch*
3A Cobb
2A Coffee*
2A Colquitt*
3A Columbia
2A Cook*
3A Coweta
3A Crawford
3A Crisp*
3A Dade
3A Dawson
2A Decatur*
3A DeKalb
3A Dodge*
3A Dooly*
2A Dougherty*
3A Douglas
2A Early*
2A Echols*
2A Effingham*
3A Elbert
3A Emanuel*
2A Evans*
3A Fannin
3A Fayette
3A Floyd
3A Forsyth
3A Franklin
3A Fulton
3A Gilmer
3A Glascock
2A Glynn*
3A Gordon

2A Grady*
3A Greene
3A Gwinnett
3A Habersham
3A Hall
3A Hancock
3A Haralson
3A Harris
3A Hart
3A Heard
3A Henry
3A Houston*
3A Irwin*
3A Jackson
3A Jasper
2A Jeff Davis*
3A Jefferson
3A Jenkins*
3A Johnson*
3A Jones
3A Lamar
2A Lanier*
3A Laurens*
3A Lee*
2A Liberty*
3A Lincoln
2A Long*
2A Lowndes*
3A Lumpkin
3A Macon*
3A Madison
3A Marion*
3A McDuffie
2A McIntosh*
3A Meriwether

2A Miller*
2A Mitchell*
3A Monroe
3A Montgomery*
3A Morgan
3A Murray
3A Muscogee
3A Newton
3A Oconee
3A Oglethorpe
3A Paulding
3A Peach*
3A Pickens
2A Pierce*
3A Pike
3A Polk
3A Pulaski*
3A Putnam
3A Quitman*
3A Rabun
3A Randolph*
3A Richmond
3A Rockdale
3A Schley*
3A Screven*
2A Seminole*
3A Spalding
3A Stephens
3A Stewart*
3A Sumter*
3A Talbot
3A Taliaferro
2A Tattnall*
3A Taylor*
3A Telfair*

3A Terrell*
2A Thomas*
2A Tift*
2A Toombs*
3A Towns
3A Treutlen*
3A Troup
3A Turner*
3A Twiggs*
3A Union
3A Upson
3A Walker
3A Walton
2A Ware*
3A Warren
3A Washington
2A Wayne*
3A Webster*
3A Wheeler*
3A White
3A Whitfield
3A Wilcox*
3A Wilkes
3A Wilkinson
2A Worth*
HAWAII
1A (all)*
IDAHO
5B Ada
6B Adams
6B Bannock
6B Bear Lake
5B Benewah
6B Bingham
6B Blaine

6B Boise
6B Bonner
6B Bonneville
6B Boundary
6B Butte
6B Camas
5B Canyon
6B Caribou
5B Cassia
6B Clark
5B Clearwater
6B Custer
5B Elmore
6B Franklin
6B Fremont
5B Gem
5B Gooding
5B Idaho
6B Jefferson
5B Jerome
5B Kootenai
5B Latah
6B Lemhi
5B Lewis
5B Lincoln
6B Madison
5B Minidoka
5B Nez Perce
6B Oneida
5B Owyhee
5B Payette
5B Power
5B Shoshone
6B Teton
5B Twin Falls

6B Valley
5B Washington
ILLINOIS
5A Adams
4A Alexander
4A Bond
5A Boone
5A Brown
5A Bureau
4A Calhoun
5A Carroll
5A Cass
5A Champaign
4A Christian
4A Clark
4A Clay
4A Clinton
4A Coles
5A Cook
4A Crawford
4A Cumberland
5A DeKalb
5A De Witt
5A Douglas
5A DuPage
5A Edgar
4A Edwards
4A Effingham
4A Fayette
5A Ford
4A Franklin
5A Fulton
4A Gallatin
4A Greene
5A Grundy

4A Hamilton
5A Hancock
4A Hardin
5A Henderson
5A Henry
5A Iroquois
4A Jackson
4A Jasper
4A Jefferson
4A Jersey
5A Jo Daviess
4A Johnson
5A Kane
5A Kankakee
5A Kendall
5A Knox
5A Lake
5A La Salle
4A Lawrence
5A Lee
5A Livingston
5A Logan
5A Macon
4A Macoupin
4A Madison
4A Marion
5A Marshall
5A Mason
4A Massac
5A McDonough
5A McHenry
5A McLean
5A Menard
5A Mercer
4A Monroe

4A Montgomery
5A Morgan
5A Moultrie
5A Ogle
5A Peoria
4A Perry
5A Piatt
5A Pike
4A Pope
4A Pulaski
5A Putnam
4A Randolph
4A Richland
5A Rock Island
4A Saline
5A Sangamon
5A Schuyler
5A Scott
4A Shelby
5A Stark
4A St. Clair
5A Stephenson
5A Tazewell
4A Union
5A Vermilion
4A Wabash
5A Warren
4A Washington
4A Wayne
4A White
5A Whiteside
5A Will
4A Williamson
5A Winnebago
5A Woodford

INDIANA

5A Adams

5A Allen

4A Bartholomew

5A Benton

5A Blackford

5A Boone

4A Brown

5A Carroll

5A Cass

4A Clark

4A Clay

5A Clinton

4A Crawford

4A Daviess

4A Dearborn

4A Decatur

5A De Kalb

5A Delaware

4A Dubois

5A Elkhart

4A Fayette

4A Floyd

5A Fountain

4A Franklin

5A Fulton

4A Gibson

5A Grant

4A Greene

5A Hamilton

5A Hancock

4A Harrison

4A Hendricks

5A Henry

5A Howard

5A Huntington
4A Jackson
5A Jasper
5A Jay
4A Jefferson
4A Jennings
4A Johnson
4A Knox
5A Kosciusko
5A LaGrange
5A Lake
5A LaPorte
4A Lawrence
5A Madison
4A Marion
5A Marshall
4A Martin
5A Miami
4A Monroe
5A Montgomery
4A Morgan
5A Newton
5A Noble
4A Ohio
4A Orange
4A Owen
5A Parke
4A Perry
4A Pike
5A Porter
4A Posey
5A Pulaski
4A Putnam
5A Randolph
4A Ripley

4A Rush
4A Scott
4A Shelby
4A Spencer
5A Starke
5A Steuben
5A St. Joseph
4A Sullivan
4A Switzerland
5A Tippecanoe
5A Tipton
4A Union
4A Vanderburgh
5A Vermillion
4A Vigo
5A Wabash
5A Warren
4A Warrick
4A Washington
5A Wayne
5A Wells
5A White
5A Whitley
IOWA
5A Adair
5A Adams
5A Allamakee
5A Appanoose
5A Audubon
5A Benton
6A Black Hawk
5A Boone
5A Bremer
5A Buchanan
5A Buena Vista

5A Butler
5A Calhoun
5A Carroll
5A Cass
5A Cedar
6A Cerro Gordo
5A Cherokee
5A Chickasaw
5A Clarke
6A Clay
5A Clayton
5A Clinton
5A Crawford
5A Dallas
5A Davis
5A Decatur
5A Delaware
5A Des Moines
6A Dickinson
5A Dubuque
6A Emmet
5A Fayette
5A Floyd
5A Franklin
5A Fremont
5A Greene
5A Grundy
5A Guthrie
5A Hamilton
6A Hancock
5A Hardin
5A Harrison
5A Henry
5A Howard
5A Humboldt

5A Ida
5A Iowa
5A Jackson
5A Jasper
5A Jefferson
5A Johnson
5A Jones
5A Keokuk
6A Kossuth
5A Lee
5A Linn
5A Louisa
5A Lucas
6A Lyon
5A Madison
5A Mahaska
5A Marion
5A Marshall
5A Mills
6A Mitchell
5A Monona
5A Monroe
5A Montgomery
5A Muscatine
6A O'Brien
6A Osceola
5A Page
6A Palo Alto
5A Plymouth
5A Pocahontas
5A Polk
5A Pottawattamie
5A Poweshiek
5A Ringgold
5A Sac

5A Scott
5A Shelby
6A Sioux
5A Story
5A Tama
5A Taylor
5A Union
5A Van Buren
5A Wapello
5A Warren
5A Washington
5A Wayne
5A Webster
6A Winnebago
5A Winneshiek
5A Woodbury
6A Worth
5A Wright
KANSAS
4A Allen
4A Anderson
4A Atchison
4A Barber
4A Barton
4A Bourbon
4A Brown
4A Butler
4A Chase
4A Chautauqua
4A Cherokee
5A Cheyenne
4A Clark
4A Clay
4A Cloud
4A Coffey

4A Comanche
4A Cowley
4A Crawford
5A Decatur
4A Dickinson
4A Doniphan
4A Douglas
4A Edwards
4A Elk
4A Ellis
4A Ellsworth
4A Finney
4A Ford
4A Franklin
4A Geary
5A Gove
4A Graham
4A Grant
4A Gray
5A Greeley
4A Greenwood
4A Hamilton
4A Harper
4A Harvey
4A Haskell
4A Hodgeman
4A Jackson
4A Jefferson
5A Jewell
4A Johnson
4A Kearny
4A Kingman
4A Kiowa
4A Labette
4A Lane

4A Leavenworth
4A Lincoln
4A Linn
5A Logan
4A Lyon
4A Marion
4A Marshall
4A McPherson
4A Meade
4A Miami
4A Mitchell
4A Montgomery
4A Morris
4A Morton
4A Nemaha
4A Neosho
4A Ness
5A Norton
4A Osage
4A Osborne
4A Ottawa
4A Pawnee
5A Phillips
4A Pottawatomie
4A Pratt
5A Rawlins
4A Reno
5A Republic
4A Rice
4A Riley
4A Rooks
4A Rush
4A Russell
4A Saline
5A Scott

4A Sedgwick
4A Seward
4A Shawnee
5A Sheridan
5A Sherman
5A Smith
4A Stafford
4A Stanton
4A Stevens
4A Sumner
5A Thomas
4A Trego
4A Wabaunsee
5A Wallace
4A Washington
5A Wichita
4A Wilson
4A Woodson
4A Wyandotte
KENTUCKY
4A (all)
LOUISIANA
2A Acadia*
2A Allen*
2A Ascension*
2A Assumption*
2A Avoyelles*
2A Beauregard*
3A Bienville*
3A Bossier*
3A Caddo*
2A Calcasieu*
3A Caldwell*
2A Cameron*
3A Catahoula*

3A Claiborne*
3A Concordia*
3A De Soto*
2A East Baton Rouge*
3A East Carroll
2A East Feliciana*
2A Evangeline*
3A Franklin*
3A Grant*
2A Iberia*
2A Iberville*
3A Jackson*
2A Jefferson*
2A Jefferson Davis*
2A Lafayette*
2A Lafourche*
3A La Salle*
3A Lincoln*
2A Livingston*
3A Madison*
3A Morehouse
3A Natchitoches*
2A Orleans*
3A Ouachita*
2A Plaquemines*
2A Pointe Coupee*
2A Rapides*
3A Red River*
3A Richland*
3A Sabine*
2A St. Bernard*
2A St. Charles*
2A St. Helena*
2A St. James*
2A St. John the Baptist*

2A St. Landry*
2A St. Martin*
2A St. Mary*
2A St. Tammany*
2A Tangipahoa*
3A Tensas*
2A Terrebonne*
3A Union*
2A Vermilion*
3A Vernon*
2A Washington*
3A Webster*
2A West Baton Rouge*
3A West Carroll
2A West Feliciana*
3A Winn*
MAINE
6A Androscoggin
7 Aroostook
6A Cumberland
6A Franklin
6A Hancock
6A Kennebec
6A Knox
6A Lincoln
6A Oxford
6A Penobscot
6A Piscataquis
6A Sagadahoc
6A Somerset
6A Waldo
6A Washington
6A York
MARYLAND
5A Allegany

4A Anne Arundel
4A Baltimore
4A Baltimore (city)
4A Calvert
4A Caroline
4A Carroll
4A Cecil
4A Charles
4A Dorchester
4A Frederick
5A Garrett
4A Harford
4A Howard
4A Kent
4A Montgomery
4A Prince George's
4A Queen Anne's
4A Somerset
4A St. Mary's
4A Talbot
4A Washington
4A Wicomico
4A Worcester
MASSACHUSETTS
5A (all)
MICHIGAN
6A Alcona
6A Alger
5A Allegan
6A Alpena
6A Antrim
6A Arenac
6A Baraga
5A Barry
5A Bay

6A Benzie
5A Berrien
5A Branch
5A Calhoun
5A Cass
6A Charlevoix
6A Cheboygan
6A Chippewa
6A Clare
5A Clinton
6A Crawford
6A Delta
6A Dickinson
5A Eaton
6A Emmet
5A Genesee
6A Gladwin
6A Gogebic
6A Grand Traverse
5A Gratiot
5A Hillsdale
6A Houghton
5A Huron
5A Ingham
5A Ionia
6A Iosco
6A Iron
6A Isabella
5A Jackson
5A Kalamazoo
6A Kalkaska
5A Kent
7 Keweenaw
6A Lake
5A Lapeer

6A Leelanau
5A Lenawee
5A Livingston
6A Luce
6A Mackinac
5A Macomb
6A Manistee
7 Marquette
6A Mason
6A Mecosta
6A Menominee
5A Midland
6A Missaukee
5A Monroe
5A Montcalm
6A Montmorency
5A Muskegon
6A Newaygo
5A Oakland
6A Oceana
6A Ogemaw
6A Ontonagon
6A Osceola
6A Oscoda
6A Otsego
5A Ottawa
6A Presque Isle
6A Roscommon
5A Saginaw
5A Sanilac
6A Schoolcraft
5A Shiawassee
5A St. Clair
5A St. Joseph
5A Tuscola

5A Van Buren
5A Washtenaw
5A Wayne
6A Wexford
MINNESOTA
7 Aitkin
6A Anoka
6A Becker
7 Beltrami
6A Benton
6A Big Stone
6A Blue Earth
6A Brown
7 Carlton
6A Carver
7 Cass
6A Chippewa
6A Chisago
6A Clay
7 Clearwater
7 Cook
6A Cottonwood
7 Crow Wing
6A Dakota
6A Dodge
6A Douglas
6A Faribault
5A Fillmore
6A Freeborn
6A Goodhue
6A Grant
6A Hennepin
5A Houston
7 Hubbard
6A Isanti

7 Itasca
6A Jackson
6A Kanabec
6A Kandiyohi
7 Kittson
7 Koochiching
6A Lac qui Parle
7 Lake
7 Lake of the Woods
6A Le Sueur
6A Lincoln
6A Lyon
7 Mahnomon
7 Marshall
6A Martin
6A McLeod
6A Meeker
6A Mille Lacs
6A Morrison
6A Mower
6A Murray
6A Nicollet
6A Nobles
7 Norman
6A Olmsted
6A Otter Tail
7 Pennington
7 Pine
6A Pipestone
7 Polk
6A Pope
6A Ramsey
7 Red Lake
6A Redwood
6A Renville

6A Rice
6A Rock
7 Roseau
6A Scott
6A Sherburne
6A Sibley
6A Stearns
6A Steele
6A Stevens
7 St. Louis
6A Swift
6A Todd
6A Traverse
6A Wabasha
7 Wadena
6A Waseca
6A Washington
6A Watonwan
6A Wilkin
5A Winona
6A Wright
6A Yellow Medicine
MISSISSIPPI
3A Adams*
3A Alcorn
3A Amite*
3A Attala
3A Benton
3A Bolivar
3A Calhoun
3A Carroll
3A Chickasaw
3A Choctaw
3A Claiborne*
3A Clarke

3A Clay
3A Coahoma
3A Copiah*
3A Covington*
3A DeSoto
3A Forrest*
3A Franklin*
2A George*
3A Greene*
3A Grenada
2A Hancock*
2A Harrison*
3A Hinds*
3A Holmes
3A Humphreys
3A Issaquena
3A Itawamba
2A Jackson*
3A Jasper
3A Jefferson*
3A Jefferson Davis*
3A Jones*
3A Kemper
3A Lafayette
3A Lamar*
3A Lauderdale
3A Lawrence*
3A Leake
3A Lee
3A Leflore
3A Lincoln*
3A Lowndes
3A Madison
3A Marion*
3A Marshall

3A Monroe
3A Montgomery
3A Neshoba
3A Newton
3A Noxubee
3A Oktibbeha
3A Panola
2A Pearl River*
3A Perry*
3A Pike*
3A Pontotoc
3A Prentiss
3A Quitman
3A Rankin*
3A Scott
3A Sharkey
3A Simpson*
3A Smith*
2A Stone*
3A Sunflower
3A Tallahatchie
3A Tate
3A Tippah
3A Tishomingo
3A Tunica
3A Union
3A Walthall*
3A Warren*
3A Washington
3A Wayne*
3A Webster
3A Wilkinson*
3A Winston
3A Yalobusha
3A Yazoo

MISSOURI

5A Adair

5A Andrew

5A Atchison

4A Audrain

4A Barry

4A Barton

4A Bates

4A Benton

4A Bollinger

4A Boone

4A Buchanan

4A Butler

4A Caldwell

4A Callaway

4A Camden

4A Cape Girardeau

4A Carroll

4A Carter

4A Cass

4A Cedar

4A Chariton

4A Christian

5A Clark

4A Clay

4A Clinton

4A Cole

4A Cooper

4A Crawford

4A Dade

4A Dallas

5A Daviess

5A DeKalb

4A Dent

4A Douglas

3A Dunklin
4A Franklin
4A Gasconade
5A Gentry
4A Greene
5A Grundy
5A Harrison
4A Henry
4A Hickory
5A Holt
4A Howard
4A Howell
4A Iron
4A Jackson
4A Jasper
4A Jefferson
4A Johnson
5A Knox
4A Laclede
4A Lafayette
4A Lawrence
5A Lewis
4A Lincoln
5A Linn
5A Livingston
5A Macon
4A Madison
4A Maries
5A Marion
4A McDonald
5A Mercer
4A Miller
4A Mississippi
4A Moniteau
4A Monroe

4A Montgomery
4A Morgan
4A New Madrid
4A Newton
5A Nodaway
4A Oregon
4A Osage
4A Ozark
3A Pemiscot
4A Perry
4A Pettis
4A Phelps
5A Pike
4A Platte
4A Polk
4A Pulaski
5A Putnam
5A Ralls
4A Randolph
4A Ray
4A Reynolds
4A Ripley
4A Saline
5A Schuyler
5A Scotland
4A Scott
4A Shannon
5A Shelby
4A St. Charles
4A St. Clair
4A St. Francois
4A St. Louis
4A St. Louis (city)
4A Ste. Genevieve
4A Stoddard

4A Stone
5A Sullivan
4A Taney
4A Texas
4A Vernon
4A Warren
4A Washington
4A Wayne
4A Webster
5A Worth
4A Wright
MONTANA
6B (all)
NEBRASKA
5A (all)
NEVADA
4B Carson City (city)
5B Churchill
3B Clark
4B Douglas
5B Elko
4B Esmeralda
5B Eureka
5B Humboldt
5B Lander
4B Lincoln
4B Lyon
4B Mineral
4B Nye
5B Pershing
5B Storey
5B Washoe
5B White Pine
NEW HAMPSHIRE
6A Belknap

6A Carroll
5A Cheshire
6A Coos
6A Grafton
5A Hillsborough
5A Merrimack
5A Rockingham
5A Strafford
6A Sullivan
NEW JERSEY
4A Atlantic
5A Bergen
4A Burlington
4A Camden
4A Cape May
4A Cumberland
4A Essex
4A Gloucester
4A Hudson
5A Hunterdon
4A Mercer
4A Middlesex
4A Monmouth
5A Morris
4A Ocean
5A Passaic
4A Salem
5A Somerset
5A Sussex
4A Union
5A Warren
NEW MEXICO
4B Bernalillo
4B Catron
3B Chaves

4B Cibola
5B Colfax
4B Curry
4B DeBaca
3B Doña Ana
3B Eddy
4B Grant
4B Guadalupe
5B Harding
3B Hidalgo
3B Lea
4B Lincoln
5B Los Alamos
3B Luna
5B McKinley
5B Mora
3B Otero
4B Quay
5B Rio Arriba
4B Roosevelt
5B Sandoval
5B San Juan
5B San Miguel
5B Santa Fe
3B Sierra
4B Socorro
5B Taos
5B Tarrant
4B Union
4B Valencia
NEW YORK
5A Albany
5A Allegany
4A Bronx
5A Broome

5A Cattaraugus
5A Cayuga
5A Chautauqua
5A Chemung
6A Chenango
6A Clinton
5A Columbia
5A Cortland
6A Delaware
5A Dutchess
5A Erie
6A Essex
6A Franklin
6A Fulton
5A Genesee
5A Greene
6A Hamilton
6A Herkimer
6A Jefferson
4A Kings
6A Lewis
5A Livingston
6A Madison
5A Monroe
6A Montgomery
4A Nassau
4A New York
5A Niagara
6A Oneida
5A Onondaga
5A Ontario
5A Orange
5A Orleans
5A Oswego
6A Otsego

5A Putnam
4A Queens
5A Rensselaer
4A Richmond
5A Rockland
5A Saratoga
5A Schenectady
5A Schoharie
5A Schuyler
5A Seneca
5A Steuben
6A St. Lawrence
4A Suffolk
6A Sullivan
5A Tioga
5A Tompkins
6A Ulster
6A Warren
5A Washington
5A Wayne
4A Westchester
5A Wyoming
5A Yates
NORTH CAROLINA
3A Alamance
3A Alexander
5A Alleghany
3A Anson
5A Ashe
5A Avery
3A Beaufort
3A Bertie
3A Bladen
3A Brunswick*
4A Buncombe

4A Burke
3A Cabarrus
4A Caldwell
3A Camden
3A Carteret*
3A Caswell
3A Catawba
3A Chatham
3A Cherokee
3A Chowan
3A Clay
3A Cleveland
3A Columbus*
3A Craven
3A Cumberland
3A Currituck
3A Dare
3A Davidson
3A Davie
3A Duplin
3A Durham
3A Edgecombe
3A Forsyth
3A Franklin
3A Gaston
3A Gates
4A Graham
3A Granville
3A Greene
3A Guilford
3A Halifax
3A Harnett
4A Haywood
4A Henderson
3A Hertford

3A Hoke
3A Hyde
3A Iredell
4A Jackson
3A Johnston
3A Jones
3A Lee
3A Lenoir
3A Lincoln
4A Macon
4A Madison
3A Martin
4A McDowell
3A Mecklenburg
4A Mitchell
3A Montgomery
3A Moore
3A Nash
3A New Hanover*
3A Northampton
3A Onslow*
3A Orange
3A Pamlico
3A Pasquotank
3A Pender*
3A Perquimans
3A Person
3A Pitt
3A Polk
3A Randolph
3A Richmond
3A Robeson
3A Rockingham
3A Rowan
3A Rutherford

3A Sampson
3A Scotland
3A Stanly
4A Stokes
4A Surry
4A Swain
4A Transylvania
3A Tyrrell
3A Union
3A Vance
3A Wake
3A Warren
3A Washington
5A Watauga
3A Wayne
3A Wilkes
3A Wilson
4A Yadkin
5A Yancey
NORTH DAKOTA
6A Adams
6A Barnes
7 Benson
6A Billings
7 Bottineau
6A Bowman
7 Burke
6A Burleigh
6A Cass
7 Cavalier
6A Dickey
7 Divide
6A Dunn
6A Eddy
6A Emmons

6A Foster
6A Golden Valley
7 Grand Forks
6A Grant
6A Griggs
6A Hettinger
6A Kidder
6A LaMoure
6A Logan
7 McHenry
6A McIntosh
6A McKenzie
6A McLean
6A Mercer
6A Morton
6A Mountrail
7 Nelson
6A Oliver
7 Pembina
7 Pierce
7 Ramsey
6A Ransom
7 Renville
6A Richland
7 Rolette
6A Sargent
6A Sheridan
6A Sioux
6A Slope
6A Stark
6A Steele
6A Stutsman
7 Towner
6A Traill
7 Walsh

7 Ward
6A Wells
6A Williams
OHIO
4A Adams
5A Allen
5A Ashland
5A Ashtabula
4A Athens
5A Auglaize
5A Belmont
4A Brown
4A Butler
5A Carroll
5A Champaign
5A Clark
4A Clermont
4A Clinton
5A Columbiana
5A Coshocton
5A Crawford
5A Cuyahoga
5A Darke
5A Defiance
5A Delaware
5A Erie
5A Fairfield
4A Fayette
4A Franklin
5A Fulton
4A Gallia
5A Geauga
4A Greene
5A Guernsey
4A Hamilton

5A Hancock
5A Hardin
5A Harrison
5A Henry
4A Highland
4A Hocking
5A Holmes
5A Huron
4A Jackson
5A Jefferson
5A Knox
5A Lake
4A Lawrence
5A Licking
5A Logan
5A Lorain
5A Lucas
4A Madison
5A Mahoning
5A Marion
5A Medina
4A Meigs
5A Mercer
5A Miami
5A Monroe
5A Montgomery
5A Morgan
5A Morrow
5A Muskingum
5A Noble
5A Ottawa
5A Paulding
5A Perry
4A Pickaway
4A Pike

5A Portage
5A Preble
5A Putnam
5A Richland
4A Ross
5A Sandusky
4A Scioto
5A Seneca
5A Shelby
5A Stark
5A Summit
5A Trumbull
5A Tuscarawas
5A Union
5A Van Wert
4A Vinton
4A Warren
4A Washington
5A Wayne
5A Williams
5A Wood
5A Wyandot
OKLAHOMA
3A Adair
4A Alfalfa
3A Atoka
4B Beaver
3A Beckham
3A Blaine
3A Bryan
3A Caddo
3A Canadian
3A Carter
3A Cherokee
3A Choctaw

4B Cimarron
3A Cleveland
3A Coal
3A Comanche
3A Cotton
4A Craig
3A Creek
3A Custer
4A Delaware
3A Dewey
4A Ellis
4A Garfield
3A Garvin
3A Grady
4A Grant
3A Greer
3A Harmon
4A Harper
3A Haskell
3A Hughes
3A Jackson
3A Jefferson
3A Johnston
4A Kay
3A Kingfisher
3A Kiowa
3A Latimer
3A Le Flore
3A Lincoln
3A Logan
3A Love
4A Major
3A Marshall
3A Mayes
3A McClain

3A McCurtain
3A McIntosh
3A Murray
3A Muskogee
3A Noble
4A Nowata
3A Okfuskee
3A Oklahoma
3A Okmulgee
4A Osage
4A Ottawa
3A Pawnee
3A Payne
3A Pittsburg
3A Pontotoc
3A Pottawatomie
3A Pushmataha
3A Roger Mills
3A Rogers
3A Seminole
3A Sequoyah
3A Stephens
4B Texas
3A Tillman
3A Tulsa
3A Wagoner
4A Washington
3A Washita
4A Woods
4A Woodward
OREGON
5B Baker
4C Benton
4C Clackamas
4C Clatsop

4C Columbia
4C Coos
5B Crook
4C Curry
5B Deschutes
4C Douglas
5B Gilliam
5B Grant
5B Harney
5B Hood River
4C Jackson
5B Jefferson
4C Josephine
5B Klamath
5B Lake
4C Lane
4C Lincoln
4C Linn
5B Malheur
4C Marion
5B Morrow
4C Multnomah
4C Polk
5B Sherman
4C Tillamook
5B Umatilla
5B Union
5B Wallowa
5B Wasco
4C Washington
5B Wheeler
4C Yamhill
PENNSYLVANIA
4A Adams
5A Allegheny

5A Armstrong
5A Beaver
5A Bedford
4A Berks
5A Blair
5A Bradford
4A Bucks
5A Butler
5A Cambria
5A Cameron
5A Carbon
5A Centre
4A Chester
5A Clarion
5A Clearfield
5A Clinton
5A Columbia
5A Crawford
4A Cumberland
4A Dauphin
4A Delaware
5A Elk
5A Erie
5A Fayette
5A Forest
4A Franklin
5A Fulton
5A Greene
5A Huntingdon
5A Indiana
5A Jefferson
5A Juniata
5A Lackawanna
4A Lancaster
5A Lawrence

4A Lebanon
5A Lehigh
5A Luzerne
5A Lycoming
5A McKean
5A Mercer
5A Mifflin
5A Monroe
4A Montgomery
5A Montour
5A Northampton
5A Northumberland
4A Perry
4A Philadelphia
5A Pike
5A Potter
5A Schuylkill
5A Snyder
5A Somerset
5A Sullivan
5A Susquehanna
5A Tioga
5A Union
5A Venango
5A Warren
5A Washington
5A Wayne
5A Westmoreland
5A Wyoming
4A York
RHODE ISLAND
5A (all)
SOUTH CAROLINA
3A Abbeville
3A Aiken

3A Allendale*
3A Anderson
3A Bamberg*
3A Barnwell*
2A Beaufort*
3A Berkeley*
3A Calhoun
3A Charleston*
3A Cherokee
3A Chester
3A Chesterfield
3A Clarendon
3A Colleton*
3A Darlington
3A Dillon
3A Dorchester*
3A Edgefield
3A Fairfield
3A Florence
3A Georgetown*
3A Greenville
3A Greenwood
3A Hampton*
3A Horry*
2A Jasper*
3A Kershaw
3A Lancaster
3A Laurens
3A Lee
3A Lexington
3A Marion
3A Marlboro
3A McCormick
3A Newberry
3A Oconee

3A Orangeburg
3A Pickens
3A Richland
3A Saluda
3A Spartanburg
3A Sumter
3A Union
3A Williamsburg
3A York
SOUTH DAKOTA
6A Aurora
6A Beadle
5A Bennett
5A Bon Homme
6A Brookings
6A Brown
5A Brule
6A Buffalo
6A Butte
6A Campbell
5A Charles Mix
6A Clark
5A Clay
6A Codington
6A Corson
6A Custer
6A Davison
6A Day
6A Deuel
6A Dewey
5A Douglas
6A Edmunds
6A Fall River
6A Faulk
6A Grant

5A Gregory
5A Haakon
6A Hamlin
6A Hand
6A Hanson
6A Harding
6A Hughes
5A Hutchinson
6A Hyde
5A Jackson
6A Jerauld
5A Jones
6A Kingsbury
6A Lake
6A Lawrence
6A Lincoln
5A Lyman
6A Marshall
6A McCook
6A McPherson
6A Meade
5A Mellette
6A Miner
6A Minnehaha
6A Moody
6A Pennington
6A Perkins
6A Potter
6A Roberts
6A Sanborn
6A Shannon
6A Spink
5A Stanley
6A Sully
5A Todd

5A Tripp
6A Turner
5A Union
6A Walworth
5A Yankton
6A Ziebach
TENNESSEE
4A Anderson
3A Bedford
4A Benton
4A Bledsoe
4A Blount
4A Bradley
4A Campbell
4A Cannon
4A Carroll
4A Carter
4A Cheatham
3A Chester
4A Claiborne
4A Clay
4A Cocke
3A Coffee
3A Crockett
4A Cumberland
3A Davidson
3A Decatur
4A DeKalb
4A Dickson
3A Dyer
3A Fayette
4A Fentress
3A Franklin
3A Gibson
3A Giles

4A Grainger
4A Greene
3A Grundy
4A Hamblen
3A Hamilton
4A Hancock
3A Hardeman
3A Hardin
4A Hawkins
3A Haywood
3A Henderson
4A Henry
3A Hickman
4A Houston
4A Humphreys
4A Jackson
4A Jefferson
4A Johnson
4A Knox
4A Lake
3A Lauderdale
3A Lawrence
3A Lewis
3A Lincoln
4A Loudon
4A Macon
3A Madison
3A Marion
3A Marshall
3A Maury
4A McMinn
3A McNairy
4A Meigs
4A Monroe
4A Montgomery

3A Moore
4A Morgan
4A Obion
4A Overton
3A Perry
4A Pickett
4A Polk
4A Putnam
4A Rhea
4A Roane
4A Robertson
3A Rutherford
4A Scott
4A Sequatchie
4A Sevier
3A Shelby
4A Smith
4A Stewart
4A Sullivan
4A Sumner
3A Tipton
4A Trousdale
4A Unicoi
4A Union
4A Van Buren
4A Warren
4A Washington
3A Wayne
4A Weakley
4A White
3A Williamson
4A Wilson
TEXAS
2A Anderson*
3B Andrews

2A Angelina*
2A Aransas*
3A Archer
4B Armstrong
2A Atascosa*
2A Austin*
4B Bailey
2B Bandera
2A Bastrop*
3B Baylor
2A Bee*
2A Bell*
2A Bexar*
3A Blanco*
3B Borden
2A Bosque*
3A Bowie*
2A Brazoria*
2A Brazos*
3B Brewster
4B Briscoe
2A Brooks*
3A Brown*
2A Burlleson*
3A Burnet*
2A Caldwell*
2A Calhoun*
3B Callahan
1A Cameron*
3A Camp*
4B Carson
3A Cass*
4B Castro
2A Chambers*
2A Cherokee*

3B Childress
3A Clay
4B Cochran
3B Coke
3B Coleman
3A Collin*
3B Collingsworth
2A Colorado*
2A Comal*
3A Comanche*
3B Concho
3A Cooke
2A Coryell*
3B Cottle
3B Crane
3B Crockett
3B Crosby
3B Culberson
4B Dallam
2A Dallas*
3B Dawson
4B Deaf Smith
3A Delta
3A Denton*
2A DeWitt*
3B Dickens
2B Dimmit
4B Donley
2A Duval*
3A Eastland
3B Ector
2B Edwards
2A Ellis*
3B El Paso
3A Erath*

2A Falls*
3A Fannin
2A Fayette*
3B Fisher
4B Floyd
3B Foard
2A Fort Bend*
3A Franklin*
2A Freestone*
2B Frio
3B Gaines
2A Galveston*
3B Garza
3A Gillespie*
3B Glasscock
2A Goliad*
2A Gonzales*
4B Gray
3A Grayson
3A Gregg*
2A Grimes*
2A Guadalupe*
4B Hale
3B Hall
3A Hamilton*
4B Hansford
3B Hardeman
2A Hardin*
2A Harris*
3A Harrison*
4B Hartley
3B Haskell
2A Hays*
3B Hemphill
3A Henderson*

1A Hidalgo*
2A Hill*
4B Hockley
3A Hood*
3A Hopkins*
2A Houston*
3B Howard
3B Hudspeth
3A Hunt*
4B Hutchinson
3B Irion
3A Jack
2A Jackson*
2A Jasper*
3B Jeff Davis
2A Jefferson*
2A Jim Hogg*
2A Jim Wells*
2A Johnson*
3B Jones
2A Karnes*
3A Kaufman*
3A Kendall*
2A Kenedy*
3B Kent
3B Kerr
3B Kimble
3B King
2B Kinney
2A Kleberg*
3B Knox
3A Lamar*
4B Lamb
3A Lampasas*
2B La Salle

2A Lavaca*
2A Lee*
2A Leon*
2A Liberty*
2A Limestone*
4B Lipscomb
2A Live Oak*
3A Llano*
3B Loving
3B Lubbock
3B Lynn
2A Madison*
3A Marion*
3B Martin
3B Mason
2A Matagorda*
2B Maverick
3B McCulloch
2A McLennan*
2A McMullen*
2B Medina
3B Menard
3B Midland
2A Milam*
3A Mills*
3B Mitchell
3A Montague
2A Montgomery*
4B Moore
3A Morris*
3B Motley
3A Nacogdoches*
2A Navarro*
2A Newton*
3B Nolan

2A Nueces*
4B Ochiltree
4B Oldham
2A Orange*
3A Palo Pinto*
3A Panola*
3A Parker*
4B Parmer
3B Pecos
2A Polk*
4B Potter
3B Presidio
3A Rains*
4B Randall
3B Reagan
2B Real
3A Red River*
3B Reeves
2A Refugio*
4B Roberts
2A Robertson*
3A Rockwall*
3B Runnels
3A Rusk*
3A Sabine*
3A San Augustine*
2A San Jacinto*
2A San Patricio*
3A San Saba*
3B Schleicher
3B Scurry
3B Shackelford
3A Shelby*
4B Sherman
3A Smith*

3A Somervell*
2A Starr*
3A Stephens
3B Sterling
3B Stonewall
3B Sutton
4B Swisher
2A Tarrant*
3B Taylor
3B Terrell
3B Terry
3B Throckmorton
3A Titus*
3B Tom Green
2A Travis*
2A Trinity*
2A Tyler*
3A Upshur*
3B Upton
2B Uvalde
2B Val Verde
3A Van Zandt*
2A Victoria*
2A Walker*
2A Waller*
3B Ward
2A Washington*
2B Webb
2A Wharton*
3B Wheeler
3A Wichita
3B Wilbarger
1A Willacy*
2A Williamson*
2A Wilson*

3B Winkler
3A Wise
3A Wood*
4B Yoakum
3A Young
2B Zapata
2B Zavala
UTAH
5B Beaver
5B Box Elder
5B Cache
5B Carbon
6B Daggett
5B Davis
6B Duchesne
5B Emery
5B Garfield
5B Grand
5B Iron
5B Juab
5B Kane
5B Millard
6B Morgan
5B Piute
6B Rich
5B Salt Lake
5B San Juan
5B Sanpete
5B Sevier
6B Summit
5B Tooele
6B Uintah
5B Utah
6B Wasatch
3B Washington

5B Wayne
5B Weber
VERMONT
6A (all)
VIRGINIA
4A (all except as follows:)
5A Alleghany
5A Bath
3A Brunswick
3A Chesapeake
5A Clifton Forge
5A Covington
3A Emporia
3A Franklin
3A Greensville
3A Halifax
3A Hampton
5A Highland
3A Isle of Wight
3A Mecklenburg
3A Newport News
3A Norfolk
3A Pittsylvania
3A Portsmouth
3A South Boston
3A Southampton
3A Suffolk
3A Surry
3A Sussex
3A Virginia Beach
WASHINGTON
5B Adams
5B Asotin
5B Benton
5B Chelan

5C Clallam
4C Clark
5B Columbia
4C Cowlitz
5B Douglas
6B Ferry
5B Franklin
5B Garfield
5B Grant
4C Grays Harbor
5C Island
4C Jefferson
4C King
5C Kitsap
5B Kittitas
5B Klickitat
4C Lewis
5B Lincoln
4C Mason
5B Okanogan
4C Pacific
6B Pend Oreille
4C Pierce
5C San Juan
4C Skagit
5B Skamania
4C Snohomish
5B Spokane
6B Stevens
4C Thurston
4C Wahkiakum
5B Walla Walla
4C Whatcom
5B Whitman
5B Yakima

WEST VIRGINIA

5A Barbour

4A Berkeley

4A Boone

4A Braxton

5A Brooke

4A Cabell

4A Calhoun

4A Clay

4A Doddridge

4A Fayette

4A Gilmer

5A Grant

4A Greenbrier

5A Hampshire

5A Hancock

5A Hardy

5A Harrison

4A Jackson

4A Jefferson

4A Kanawha

4A Lewis

4A Lincoln

4A Logan

5A Marion

5A Marshall

4A Mason

4A McDowell

4A Mercer

5A Mineral

4A Mingo

5A Monongalia

4A Monroe

4A Morgan

4A Nicholas

5A Ohio
5A Pendleton
4A Pleasants
5A Pocahontas
5A Preston
4A Putnam
4A Raleigh
5A Randolph
4A Ritchie
4A Roane
4A Summers
5A Taylor
5A Tucker
4A Tyler
4A Upshur
4A Wayne
4A Webster
5A Wetzel
4A Wirt
4A Wood
4A Wyoming
WISCONSIN
5A Adams
6A Ashland
6A Barron
6A Bayfield
6A Brown
6A Buffalo
6A Burnett
5A Calumet
6A Chippewa
6A Clark
5A Columbia
5A Crawford
5A Dane

5A Dodge
6A Door
6A Douglas
6A Dunn
6A Eau Claire
6A Florence
5A Fond du Lac
6A Forest
5A Grant
5A Green
5A Green Lake
5A Iowa
6A Iron
6A Jackson
5A Jefferson
5A Juneau
5A Kenosha
6A Kewaunee
5A La Crosse
5A Lafayette
6A Langlade
6A Lincoln
6A Manitowoc
6A Marathon
6A Marinette
6A Marquette
6A Menominee
5A Milwaukee
5A Monroe
6A Oconto
6A Oneida
5A Outagamie
5A Ozaukee
6A Pepin
6A Pierce

6A Polk
6A Portage
6A Price
5A Racine
5A Richland
5A Rock
6A Rusk
5A Sauk
6A Sawyer
6A Shawano
6A Sheboygan
6A St. Croix
6A Taylor
6A Trempealeau
5A Vernon
6A Vilas
5A Walworth
6A Washburn
5A Washington
5A Waukesha
6A Waupaca
5A Waushara
5A Winnebago
6A Wood
WYOMING
6B Albany
6B Big Horn
6B Campbell
6B Carbon
6B Converse
6B Crook
6B Fremont
5B Goshen
6B Hot Springs
6B Johnson

5B Laramie
7 Lincoln
6B Natrona
6B Niobrara
6B Park
5B Platte
6B Sheridan
7 Sublette
6B Sweetwater
7 Teton
6B Uinta
6B Washakie
6B Weston
US TERRITORIES
AMERICAN SAMOA
1A (all)*
GUAM
1A (all)*
NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS
1A (all)*
PUERTO RICO
1A (all except as follows:)*
2B Barranquitas
2B Cayey
VIRGIN ISLANDS
1A (all)*

a. Key: A – Moist, B – Dry, C – Marine. Absence of moisture designation indicates moisture regime is irrelevant. Asterisk (*) indicates a Warm Humid location.

R301.2 Warm Humid counties. In **Table R301.1**, Warm Humid counties are identified by an asterisk.

R301.3 Climate zone definitions. To determine the climate zones for locations not listed in this code, use the following information to determine *climate zone* numbers and letters in accordance with Items 1 through 5.

1. Determine the thermal *climate zone*, 0 through 8, from **Table R301.3** using the heating (HDD) and cooling degree-days (CDD) for the location.

2. Determine the moisture zone (Marine, Dry or Humid) in accordance with Items 2.1 through 2.3.
 - 2.1. If monthly average temperature and precipitation data are available, use the Marine, Dry and Humid definitions to determine the moisture zone (C, B or A).
 - 2.2. If annual average temperature information (including degree-days) and annual precipitation (i.e., annual mean) are available, use Items 2.2.1 through 2.2.3 to determine the moisture zone. If the moisture zone is not Marine, then use the Dry definition to determine whether Dry or Humid.
 - 2.2.1. If thermal *climate zone* is 3 and $CDD50^{\circ}F \leq 4,500$ ($CDD10^{\circ}C \leq 2500$), *climate zone* is Marine (3C).
 - 2.2.2. If thermal *climate zone* is 4 and $CDD50^{\circ}F \leq 2,700$ ($CDD10^{\circ}C \leq 1500$), *climate zone* is Marine (4C).
 - 2.2.3. If thermal *climate zone* is 5 and $CDD50^{\circ}F \leq 1,800$ ($CDD10^{\circ}C \leq 1000$), *climate zone* is Marine (5C).
 - 2.3. If only degree-day information is available, use Items 2.3.1 through 2.3.3 to determine the moisture zone. If the moisture zone is not Marine, then it is not possible to assign Humid or Dry moisture zone for this location.
 - 2.3.1. If thermal *climate zone* is 3 and $CDD50^{\circ}F \leq 4,500$ ($CDD10^{\circ}C \leq 2500$), *climate zone* is Marine (3C).
 - 2.3.2. If thermal *climate zone* is 4 and $CDD50^{\circ}F \leq 2,700$ ($CDD10^{\circ}C \leq 1500$), *climate zone* is Marine (4C).
 - 2.3.3. If thermal *climate zone* is 5 and $CDD50^{\circ}F \leq 1,800$ ($CDD10^{\circ}C \leq 1000$), *climate zone* is Marine (5C).
3. Marine (C) Zone definition: Locations meeting all the criteria in Items 3.1 through 3.4.
 - 3.1. Mean temperature of coldest month between $27^{\circ}F$ ($-3^{\circ}C$) and $65^{\circ}F$ ($18^{\circ}C$).
 - 3.2. Warmest month mean $< 72^{\circ}F$ ($22^{\circ}C$).
 - 3.3. Not fewer than four months with mean temperatures over $50^{\circ}F$ ($10^{\circ}C$).
 - 3.4. Dry season in summer. The month with the heaviest precipitation in the cold season has at least three times as much precipitation as the month with the least precipitation in the rest of the year. The cold season is October through March in the Northern Hemisphere and April through September in the Southern Hemisphere.

4. Dry (B) definition: Locations meeting the criteria in Items 4.1 through 4.4.
 - 4.1. Not Marine (C).
 - 4.2. If 70 percent or more of the precipitation, P , occurs during the high sun period, defined as April through September in the Northern Hemisphere and October through March in the Southern Hemisphere, then the dry/humid threshold is in accordance with Equation 3-1.

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(Equation 3-1)

$$P < 0.44 \times (T-7)$$

$$[P < 20.0 \times (T + 14) \text{ in SI units}]$$

where:

P = Annual precipitation, inches (mm).

T = Annual mean temperature, °F (°C).

- 4.3. If between 30 and 70 percent of the precipitation, P , occurs during the high sun period, defined as April through September in the Northern Hemisphere and October through March in the Southern Hemisphere, then the dry/humid threshold is in accordance with Equation 3-2.

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(Equation 3-2)

$$P < 0.44 \times (T-19.5)$$

$$[P < 20.0 \times (T + 7) \text{ in SI units}]$$

where:

P = Annual precipitation, inches (mm).

T = Annual mean temperature, °F (°C).

- 4.4. If 30 percent or less of the precipitation, P , occurs during the high sun period, defined as April through September in the Northern Hemisphere and October through March in the Southern Hemisphere, then the dry/humid threshold is in accordance with Equation 3-3.

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$$P < 0.44 \times (T-32)$$

(Equation 3-3)

$$[P < 20.0 \times T \text{ in SI units}]$$

where:

P = Annual precipitation, inches (mm).

T = Annual mean temperature, °F (°C).

5. Humid (A) definition: Locations that are not Marine (C) or Dry (B).

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**TABLE R301.3
THERMAL CLIMATE ZONE DEFINITIONS**

ZONE NUMBER	THERMAL CRITERIA	
	IP Units	SI Units
0	10,800 < CDD50°F	6000 < CDD10°C
1	9,000 < CDD50°F < 10,800	5000 < CDD10°C < 6000
2	6,300 < CDD50°F ≤ 9,000	3500 < CDD10°C ≤ 5000
3	CDD50°F ≤ 6,300 AND HDD65°F ≤ 3,600	CDD10°C < 3500 AND HDD18°C ≤ 2000
CDD50°F ≤ 6,300 AND 3,600 < HDD65°F ≤ 5,400	CDD10°C < 3500 AND 2000 < HDD18°C ≤ 3000	
5	CDD50°F < 6,300 AND 5,400 < HDD65°F ≤ 7,200	CDD10°C < 3500 AND 3000 < HDD18°C ≤ 4000
6	7,200 < HDD65°F ≤ 9,000	4000 < HDD18°C ≤ 5000
7	9,000 < HDD65°F ≤ 12,600	5000 < HDD18°C ≤ 7000
8	12,600 < HDD65°F	7000 < HDD18°C

For SI: °C = [(°F) - 32]/1.8.

R301.4 Tropical climate region. The tropical region shall be defined as:

1. Hawaii, Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, U.S. Virgin Islands, Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands; and
2. Islands in the area between the Tropic of Cancer and the Tropic of Capricorn.

SECTION R302 DESIGN CONDITIONS

R302.1 Interior design conditions. The interior design temperatures used for heating and cooling load calculations shall be a maximum of 72°F (22°C) for heating and minimum of 75°F (24°C) for cooling.

SECTION R303 MATERIALS, SYSTEMS AND EQUIPMENT

R303.1 Identification. Materials, systems and equipment shall be identified in a manner that will allow a determination of compliance with the applicable provisions of this code.

R303.1.1 Building thermal envelope insulation. An *R*-value identification mark shall be applied by the manufacturer to each piece of *building thermal envelope* insulation that is 12 inches (305 mm) or greater in width. Alternatively, the insulation installers shall provide a certification that indicates the type, manufacturer and *R*-value of insulation installed in each element of the *building thermal envelope*. For blown-in or sprayed fiberglass and cellulose insulation, the initial installed thickness, settled thickness, settled *R*-value, installed density, coverage area and number of bags installed shall be indicated on the certification. For sprayed polyurethane foam (SPF) insulation, the installed thickness of the areas covered and the *R*-value of the installed thickness shall be indicated on the certification. For *reflective*

insulation, the number of reflective sheet(s), the number and thickness of the *enclosed reflective air space(s)* and the R-value for the installed assembly **determined in accordance with Section R303.1.6**, shall be listed on the certification. For *insulated siding*, the R-value shall be on a label on the product's package and shall be indicated on the certification. The insulation installer shall sign, date and post the certification in a conspicuous location on the job site.

Exception: For roof insulation installed above the deck, the R-value shall be *labeled* as required by the material standards specified in **Table 1508.2** of the *International Building Code* or **Table R906.2** of the *International Residential Code*, as applicable.

R303.1.1.1 Blown-in or sprayed roof and ceiling insulation. The thickness of blown-in or sprayed fiberglass and cellulose roof and ceiling insulation shall be written in inches (mm) on markers that are installed at not less than one for every 300 square feet (28 m²) throughout the attic space. The markers shall be affixed to the trusses or joists and marked with the minimum initial installed thickness with numbers not less than 1 inch (25 mm) in height. Each marker shall face the attic access opening. The thickness and installed R-value of sprayed polyurethane foam insulation shall be indicated on the certification provided by the insulation installer.

R303.1.2 Insulation mark installation. Insulating materials shall be installed such that the manufacturer's R-value mark is readily observable at inspection. For insulation materials that are installed without an observable manufacturer's R-value mark, such as blown or draped products, an insulation certificate complying with **Section R303.1.1** shall be left immediately after installation by the installer, in a conspicuous location within the *building*, to certify the installed R-value of the insulation material.

Exception: For roof insulation installed above the deck, the R-value shall be *labeled* as specified by the material standards in Table 1508.2 of the *International Building Code* or Table R906.2 of the *International Residential Code*, as applicable.

R303.1.3 Fenestration product rating. *U*-factors of *fenestration* products such as windows, doors and *skylights* shall be determined in accordance with **NFRC 100**.

Exception: Where required, garage door *U*-factors shall be determined in accordance with either **NFRC 100** or **ANSI/DASMA 105**.

U-factors shall be determined by an accredited, independent laboratory, and *labeled* and certified by the manufacturer.

Products lacking such a *labeled U*-factor shall be assigned a default *U*-factor from **Table R303.1.3(1)** or **Table R303.1.3(2)**. The *solar heat gain coefficient* (SHGC) and *visible transmittance* (VT) of glazed *fenestration* products such as windows, glazed doors and *skylights* shall be determined in accordance with **NFRC 200** by an accredited, independent laboratory, and *labeled* and certified by the manufacturer. Products lacking such a *labeled* SHGC or VT shall be assigned a default SHGC or VT from **Table R303.1.3(3)**.

TABLE R303.1.3(1)
DEFAULT GLAZED WINDOW, GLASS DOOR AND SKYLIGHT U-FACTORS

FRAME TYPE	WINDOW AND GLASS DOOR		SKYLIGHT	
	Single pane	Double pane	Single	Double
Metal	1.20	0.80	2.00	1.30
Metal with Thermal Break	1.10	0.65	1.90	1.10
Nonmetal or Metal Clad	0.95	0.55	1.75	1.05
Glazed Block	0.60			

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TABLE R303.1.3(2)
DEFAULT OPAQUE DOOR *U*-FACTORS

DOOR TYPE	OPAQUE <i>U</i>-FACTOR
Uninsulated Metal	1.20
Insulated Metal	0.60
Wood	0.50
Insulated, nonmetal edge, not exceeding 45% glazing, any glazing double pane	0.35

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TABLE R303.1.3(3)
DEFAULT GLAZED FENESTRATION SHGC AND VT

	SINGLE GLAZED		DOUBLE GLAZED		GLAZED BLOCK
	Clear	Tinted	Clear	Tinted	
SHGC	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6
VT	0.6	0.3	0.6	0.3	0.6

R303.1.4 Insulation product rating. The thermal resistance, *R*-value, of insulation shall be determined in accordance with Part 460 of **US-FTC CFR Title 16** in units of $h \times ft^2 \times ^\circ F/Btu$ at a mean temperature of 75°F (24°C).

R303.1.4.1 Insulated siding. The thermal resistance, *R*-value, of *insulated siding* shall be determined in accordance with **ASTM C1363**. Installation for testing shall be in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

R303.1.5 Air-impermeable insulation. Insulation having an air permeability not greater than 0.004 cubic feet per minute per square foot [0.002 L/(s × m²)] under pressure differential of 0.3 inch water gauge (75 Pa) when tested in accordance with **ASTM E2178** shall be determined air-impermeable insulation.

R303.1.6 Air spaces Where the *R*-value of an enclosed reflective air space or enclosed non-reflective air space is used for compliance with this standard, the air space shall be enclosed in a cavity bounded on all sides by *building* components and constructed to minimize airflow into and out of the enclosed air space. Airflow shall be deemed minimized where one of the following conditions occur:

1. The enclosed air space is unventilated.
2. The enclosed air space is bounded on one or more sides by an anchored masonry veneer, constructed in accordance with Chapter 7 of the *International Residential Code*, and vented by veneer weep holes located only at the bottom portion of the air space and spaced not less than 15 inches (381 mm) on center with the top of the cavity air space closed.

Exception: For ventilated cavities, the effect of the *ventilation* of air spaces located on the exterior side of the continuous *air barrier* and adjacent to and behind the *exterior wall* covering material shall be determined in accordance with **ASTM C1363** modified with an airflow entering the bottom and exiting the top of the air space at an air movement rate of not less than 70 mm/second.

R303.2 Installation. Materials, systems and equipment shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and the ***International Building Code*** or the ***International Residential Code***, as applicable.

R303.2.1 Protection of exposed foundation insulation. Insulation applied to the exterior of *basement walls*, crawl space walls and the perimeter of slab-on-grade floors shall have a rigid, opaque and weather-resistant protective covering to prevent the degradation of the insulation's thermal performance. The protective covering shall cover the exposed exterior insulation and extend not less than 6 inches (153 mm) below grade.

R303.2.2 Radiant barrier Where installed, *radiant barriers* shall comply with the requirements of **ASTM C1313/C1313M** and shall be installed in accordance with **ASTM**

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R303.3 Maintenance information. Maintenance instructions shall be furnished for equipment and systems that require preventive maintenance. Required regular maintenance actions shall be clearly stated and incorporated on a readily visible label. The label shall include the title or publication number for the operation and maintenance manual for that particular model and type of product.

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CHAPTER 4 [RE] RESIDENTIAL ENERGY EFFICIENCY

User note:

About this chapter: Chapter 4 presents the paths and options for compliance with the energy efficiency provisions. Chapter 4 contains energy efficiency provisions for the building envelope, mechanical and water heating systems, lighting and additional efficiency requirements. A performance alternative, energy rating alternative, and tropical regional alternative are also provided to allow for energy code compliance other than by the prescriptive method.

SECTION R401 GENERAL

R401.1 Scope. This chapter applies to residential buildings.

R401.2 Application. Residential buildings shall comply with either **Sections R401.2.1, R401.2.2, R401.2.3 or R401.2.4.**

Exception: Additions, *alterations*, repairs and changes of occupancy to existing buildings complying with **Chapter 5.**

R401.2.1 Prescriptive Compliance Option. The Prescriptive Compliance Option requires compliance with Sections **R401** through **R404** and R408.

R401.2.2 Simulated Building Performance Option. The *Simulated Building Performance* Option requires compliance with **Section R405.**

R401.2.3 Energy Rating Index Option. The Energy Rating Index (ERI) Option requires compliance with **Section R406.**

R401.2.4 Tropical Climate Region Option. The Tropical Climate Region Option requires compliance with **Section R407.**

R401.3 Certificate. A permanent certificate shall be completed by the builder or other *approved* party and posted on a wall in the space where the furnace is located, a utility room or an *approved* location inside the *building*. Where located on an electrical panel, the certificate shall not cover or obstruct the visibility of the circuit directory *label*, service disconnect *label* or other required labels. The certificate shall indicate the following:

1. The predominant *R*-values of insulation installed in or on ceilings, roofs, walls, foundation components such as slabs, *basement walls*, *crawl space walls* and floors and *ducts* outside *conditioned spaces*.
2. *U*-factors of *fenestration* and the *solar heat gain coefficient* (SHGC) of *fenestration*. Where there is more than one value for any component of the *building thermal envelope*, the certificate shall indicate both the value covering the largest area and the area weighted average value if available.
3. The results from any required *duct system* and *building thermal envelope* air leakage testing performed on the *building*.
4. The types, sizes and efficiencies of heating, cooling and service water-heating equipment. Where a gas-fired unvented room heater, electric furnace or baseboard electric heater is installed in the residence, the certificate shall indicate "gas-fired unvented room heater," "electric furnace" or "baseboard electric heater," as appropriate. An efficiency shall not be indicated for gas-fired unvented room heaters, electric furnaces and electric baseboard heaters.

5. Where on-site *photovoltaic panel* systems have been installed, the array capacity, inverter efficiency, panel tilt and orientation shall be noted on the certificate.
6. For buildings where an Energy Rating Index score is determined in accordance with **Section R406**, the Energy Rating Index score, both with and without any on-site generation, shall be listed on the certificate.
7. The code edition under which the structure was permitted, the compliance path used, and where applicable, the additional efficiency measures selected for compliance with R408.
8. Where a *solar-ready zone* is provided, the certificate shall indicate the location, and dimensions.

SECTION R402 BUILDING THERMAL ENVELOPE

R402.1 General. The *building thermal envelope* shall comply with the requirements of **Sections R402.1.1 through R402.1.5** one of the following:

1. Sections R402.1.1 through R402.1.4, or
2. Sections R402.1.1 and R402.1.5

Exceptions:

1. The following low-energy *buildings*, or portions thereof, separated from the remainder of the building by *building thermal envelope* assemblies complying with this section shall be exempt from the *building thermal envelope* provisions of **Section R402**.
 - 1.1. Those with a peak design rate of energy usage less than $3.4 \text{ Btu/h} \times \text{ft}^2$ (10.7 W/m^2) or 1.0 watt/ft^2 of floor area for space-conditioning purposes.
 - 1.2. Those that do not contain *conditioned space*.
2. Log homes designed in accordance with **ICC 400**.

R402.1.1 Vapor retarder. Wall assemblies in the *building thermal envelope* shall comply with the vapor retarder requirements of **Section R702.7** of the *International Residential Code* or **Section 1404.3** of the *International Building Code*, as applicable.

R402.1.2 Insulation and fenestration criteria. The *building thermal envelope* shall meet the requirements of **Table R402.1.2**, based on the *climate zone* specified in **Chapter 3**. Assemblies shall have a *U-factor* or *F-factor* equal to or less than that specified in **Table R402.1.2**. *Fenestration* shall have a *U-factor* and glazed *fenestration* SHGC equal to or less than that specified in **Table R402.1.2**.

**TABLE R402.1.2
MAXIMUM ASSEMBLY U-FACTORS^a AND FENESTRATION REQUIREMENTS**

CLIMATE ZONE	0	1	2	3	4 except Marine	5 and Marine 4	6	7 and 8
VERTICAL FENESTRATION U-FACTOR	0.50	0.50	0.40	0.30	0.30	0.28 ^{ed}	0.28 ^{ed}	0.27 ^{ed}
SKYLIGHT ^d U-FACTOR	0.60	0.60	0.60	0.53	0.53	0.50	0.50	0.50
GLAZED VERTICAL FENESTRATION SHGC ^d	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.40	NR	NR	NR
SKYLIGHT SHGC	0.28	0.28	0.28	0.28	0.40	NR	NR	NR
CEILING U-FACTOR ^f	0.035	0.035	0.030	0.030	0.026	0.026	0.026	0.026
INSULATION ENTIRELY ABOVE ROOF DECK	0.039	0.039	0.039	0.039	0.032	0.032	0.032	0.028
WOOD FRAME WALL U-FACTOR	0.084	0.084	0.084	0.060	0.045	0.045	0.045	0.045
MASS WALL U-FACTOR ^b	0.197	0.197	0.165	0.098	0.098	0.082	0.060	0.057
FLOOR U-FACTOR	0.064	0.064	0.064	0.047	0.047	0.033	0.033	0.028
BASEMENT WALL U-FACTOR	0.360	0.360	0.360	0.091 ^c	0.059	0.050	0.050	0.050
UNHEATED SLAB F-FACTOR ^{ge}	0.73	0.73	0.73	0.54	0.51	0.51	0.48	0.48
HEATED SLAB F-FACTOR ^{ge}	0.74	0.74	0.74	0.66	0.66	0.66	0.66	0.66
CRAWL SPACE U-FACTOR	0.477	0.477	0.477	0.136	0.065	0.055	0.055	0.055

For SI: 1 foot = 304.8 mm.

- a. Nonfenestration *U*-factors and *F*-factors shall be obtained from measurement, calculation or an approved source.
- b. Mass walls shall be in accordance with **Section R402.2.6**. Where more than half the insulation is on the interior, the mass wall *U*-factors shall not exceed 0.17 in Climate Zones 0 and 1, 0.14 in Climate Zone 2, 0.12 in Climate Zone 3, 0.087 in Climate Zone 4 except Marine, 0.065 in Climate Zone 5 and Marine 4, and 0.057 in Climate Zones 6 through 8.
- c. In Warm Humid locations as defined by **Figure R301.1** and **Table R301.1**, the basement wall *U*-factor shall not exceed 0.360.
- d. ~~The fenestration *U*-factor column excludes skylights. The SHGC column applies to all glazed fenestration.~~
Exception: In Climate Zones 0 through 3, skylights shall be permitted to be excluded from glazed fenestration SHGC requirements provided that the SHGC for such skylights does not exceed 0.28.
- e.d. A maximum *U*-factor of 0.30 shall apply in Marine Climate Zone 4 and Climate Zones 5 through 8 to vertical fenestration products installed in buildings located either:
 1. Above 4,000 feet in elevation above sea level, or
 2. In windborne debris regions where protection of openings is required by **Section R301.2.1.2** of the *International Residential Code*.
- f.e. ~~Roofs with insulation entirely above deck shall comply with Section C402.2.1 and the Group R *U*-factors of Table C402.1.2.~~

g.e. F-factors for slabs correspond to the R-values of Table R402.1.3 and the installation conditions of Section R402.2.10.1.

R402.1.3 R-value alternative. Assemblies with *R*-value of insulation materials equal to or greater than that specified in **Table R402.1.3** shall be an alternative to the *U*-factor or *F*-factor in **Table R402.1.2**. *R*-values of insulation materials for the assemblies specified in Appendix RF that have a *U*-factor less than or equal to the *U*-factor required by Table R402.1.2 shall be permitted

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**TABLE R402.1.3
INSULATION MINIMUM R-VALUES AND FENESTRATION REQUIREMENTS BY
COMPONENT^a**

CLIMATE ZONE	0	1	2	3	4 except Marine	5 and Marine 4	6	7 and 8
VERTICAL FENESTRATION U-FACTOR ^{b, i}	0.50	0.50	0.40	0.30	0.30	0.28 ^{hg}	0.28 ^{hg}	0.27 ^{hg}
SKYLIGHT ^b U-FACTOR	0.60	0.60	0.60	0.53	0.53	0.50	0.50	0.50
GLAZED VERTICAL FENESTRATION SHGC ^{b, e}	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.40	NR	NR	NR
SKYLIGHT SHGC	0.28	0.28	0.28	0.28	0.40	NR	NR	NR
CEILING R-VALUE ^{ih}	30	30	38	38	49	49	49	49
INSULATION ENTIRELY ABOVE ROOF DECK	R-25ci	R-25ci	R-25ci	R-25ci	R-30ci	R-30ci	R-30-ci	R-35ci
WOOD FRAME WALL R-VALUE ^{gf}	13 or 0&10ci	13 or 0&10ci	13 or 0&10ci	20 or 13&5ci or 0&15ci	30 or 20&5ci or 13&10ci or 0&20ci	30 or 20&5ci or 13&10ci or 0&20ci	30 or 20&5ci or 13&10ci or 0&20ci	30 or 20&5ci or 13&10ci or 0&20ci
MASS WALL R-VALUE ^{hg}	3/4	3/4	4/6	8/13	8/13	13/17	15/20	19/21
FLOOR R-VALUE ^{hg, jh}	13 or 7+5ci or 10ci	13 or 7+5ci or 10ci	13 or 7+5ci or 10ci	19 or 13+5ci or 15ci	19 or 13+5ci or 15ci	30 or 19+7.5ci or 20ci	30 or 19+7.5ci or 20ci	38 or 19+10ci or 25ci
BASEMENT ^{cb, gf} WALL R-VALUE	0	0	0	5ci or 13 ^{fe}	10ci or 13	15ci or 19 or 13&5ci	15ci or 19 or 13&5ci	15ci or 19 or 13& 5ci
UNHEATED SLAB ^{dc} R-VALUE & DEPTH	0	0	0	10ci, 2 ft	10ci, 3 ft	10ci, 3 ft	10ci, 4 ft	10ci, 4 ft
HEATED SLAB ^{dc} R-VALUE & DEPTH	R-5ci edge and R-5 full slab	R-5ci edge and R-5 full slab	R-5ci edge and R-5 full slab	R10ci, 2 ft and R-5 full slab	R10ci, 3 ft and R-5 full slab	R10ci, 3 ft and R-5 full slab	R10ci, 4 ft and R-5 full slab	R10ci, 4 ft and R-5 full slab
CRAWL SPACE ^{cb, gf} WALL R-VALUE	0	0	0	5ci or 13 ^{fe}	10ci or 13	15ci or 19 or 13&5ci	15ci or 19 or 13&5ci	15ci or 19 or 13&5ci

For SI: 1 foot = 304.8 mm.

NR = Not Required.

ci = continuous insulation.

- a. *R*-values are minimums. *U*-factors and SHGC are maximums. Where insulation is installed in a cavity that is less than the label or design thickness of the insulation, the installed *R*-value of the insulation shall be not less than the *R*-value specified in the table.
- b. ~~The fenestration *U*-factor column excludes skylights. The SHGC column applies to all glazed fenestration.~~
Exception: ~~In Climate Zones 0 through 3, skylights shall be permitted to be excluded from glazed fenestration SHGC requirements provided that the SHGC for such skylights does not exceed 0.28.~~
- e.b. "5ci or 13" means R-5 continuous insulation (ci) on the interior or exterior surface of the wall or R-13 cavity insulation on the interior side of the wall. "10ci or 13" means R-10 continuous insulation (ci) on the interior or exterior surface of the wall or R-13 cavity insulation on the interior side of the wall. "15ci or 19 or 13&5ci" means R-15 continuous insulation (ci) on the interior or exterior surface of the wall; or R-19 cavity insulation on the interior side of the wall; or R-13 cavity insulation on the interior of the wall in addition to R-5 continuous insulation on the interior or exterior surface of the wall.
- d.c. Slab insulation shall be installed in accordance with Section R402.2.9.1.
- e.d. Basement wall insulation is not required in Warm Humid locations as defined by **Figure R301.1** and **Table R301.1**.
- f.e. The first value is cavity insulation; the second value is continuous insulation. Therefore, as an example, "13&5" means R-13 cavity insulation plus R-5 continuous insulation.
- g.f. Mass walls shall be in accordance with **Section R402.2.6**. The second *R*-value applies where more than half of the insulation is on the interior of the mass wall.
- h.g. A maximum *U*-factor of 0.30 shall apply in Marine Climate Zone 4 and Climate Zones 5 through 8 to vertical fenestration products installed in buildings located either:
 1. Above 4,000 feet in elevation, or
 2. In windborne debris regions where protection of openings is required by **Section R301.2.1.2** of the *International Residential Code*.
- i. ~~Roofs with insulation entirely above deck shall comply with Section C402.2.1 and the Group R *R*-values of Table C402.1.2.~~
- j.h. "30 or 19+7.5ci or 20ci" means R30 cavity insulation alone or R19 cavity insulation with R7.5 continuous insulation or R20 continuous insulation alone.

R402.1.4 *R*-value computation. *Cavity insulation* alone shall be used to determine compliance with the *cavity insulation* *R*-value requirements in **Table R402.1.3**. Where *cavity insulation* is installed in multiple layers, the *R*-values of the *cavity insulation* layers shall be summed to determine compliance with the *cavity insulation* *R*-value requirements. The manufacturer's settled *R*-value shall be used for blown-in insulation. *Continuous insulation* (ci) alone shall be used to determine compliance with the continuous insulation *R*-value requirements in **Table R402.1.3**. Where *continuous insulation* is installed in multiple layers, the *R*-values of the *continuous insulation* layers shall be summed to determine compliance with the *continuous insulation* *R*-value requirements. *Cavity insulation* *R*-values shall not be used to determine compliance with the *continuous insulation* *R*-value requirements in **Table R402.1.3**. Computed *R*-values shall not include an *R*-value for other building materials or air films. Where *insulated siding* is used for the purpose of complying with the *continuous insulation* requirements of **Table R402.1.3**, the manufacturer's *labeled R*-value for the *insulated siding* shall be reduced by R-0.6.

R402.1.5 Component performance alternative. Where the proposed total *building thermal envelope thermal conductance* TC_p is less than or equal to the required total *building thermal*

envelope thermal conductance TC_r , using factors in **Table R402.1.2** the *building* shall be considered to be in compliance with **Table R402.1.2**. The total thermal conductance TC shall be determined in accordance with Equation 4-1. Proposed U -factors and slab-on-grade F -factors shall be taken from ANSI/ASHRAE/IES Standard 90.1 Appendix A or determined using a method consistent with the ASHRAE *Handbook of Fundamentals* and shall include the thermal bridging effects of framing materials. In addition to total thermal conductance TC compliance, the SHGC requirements of **Table R402.1.2** and the maximum fenestration U -factors of **Section R402.6** shall be met.

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(Equation 4-1)

$$\cancel{(U_p A + F_p P)} \leq \cancel{(U_r A + F_r P)} \quad \underline{TC_p \leq TC_r}$$

$$TC_p = U_p A + F_p P$$

$$TC_r = U_r A + F_r P$$

$U_p A$ = the sum of proposed U -factors times the assembly areas in the proposed *building*.

$F_p P$ = the sum of proposed F -factors times the slab-on-grade perimeter lengths in the proposed *building*.

$U_r A$ = the sum of U -factors in **Table R402.1.2** times the same assembly areas as in the proposed *building*.

$F_r P$ = the sum of F -factors in **Table R402.1.2** times the same slab-on-grade perimeter lengths as in the proposed building.

Exception: Exception: For Climate Zones 0, 1, and 2, the value of $F_r P$ shall equal the value of $F_p P$.

R402.5.4 R402.1.6 Rooms containing fuel-burning appliances. In Climate Zones 3 through 8, where open combustion air ducts provide combustion air to open combustion fuel-burning appliances, the appliances and combustion air opening shall be located outside the *building thermal envelope* or enclosed in a room that is isolated from inside the *building thermal envelope*. Such rooms shall be sealed and insulated in accordance with the *building thermal envelope* requirements of **Table R402.1.3**, where the walls, floors and ceilings shall meet a minimum of the *basement wall R-value* requirement. The door into the room shall be fully gasketed and any water lines and ducts in the room insulated in accordance with **Section R403**. The combustion air *duct* shall be insulated where it passes through *conditioned space* to an R -value of not less than R-8.

Exceptions:

1. Direct vent appliances with both intake and exhaust pipes installed continuous to the outside.
2. Fireplaces and stoves complying with **Section R402.5.2** and **Section R1006** of the *International Residential Code*.

R402.2 Specific insulation requirements. In addition to the requirements of **Section R402.1**, insulation shall meet the specific requirements of **Sections R402.2.1** through **R402.2.13**.

R402.2.1 Ceilings with attics. Where **Section R402.1.3** requires R-49 insulation in the ceiling or attic, installing R-38 over 100 percent of the ceiling or attic area requiring insulation shall satisfy the requirement for R-49 insulation wherever the full height of uncompressed R-38 insulation extends over the wall top plate at the eaves. Where **Section R402.1.3** requires R-60

insulation in the ceiling or attic, installing R-49 over 100 percent of the ceiling or attic area requiring insulation shall satisfy the requirement for R-60 insulation wherever the full height of uncompressed R-49 insulation extends over the wall top plate at the eaves. This reduction shall not apply to the insulation and *fenestration* criteria in **Section R402.1.2** and the **Component performance** Total UA alternative in **Section R402.1.5**.

R402.2.2 Ceilings without attics. Where **Section R402.1.3** requires insulation *R*-values greater than R-30 in the interstitial space above a ceiling and below the structural roof deck, and the design of the roof/ceiling assembly does not allow sufficient space for the required insulation, the minimum required insulation *R*-value for such roof/ceiling assemblies shall be R-30. Insulation shall extend over the top of the wall plate to the outer edge of such plate and shall not be compressed. This reduction of insulation from the requirements of **Section R402.1.3** shall be limited to 500 square feet (46 m²) or 20 percent of the total insulated ceiling area, whichever is less. This reduction shall not apply to the **Component performance** Total UA alternative in **Section R402.1.5**.

R402.2.3 Attic knee wall ~~Attic~~ **Wood attic knee wall** assemblies that separate *conditioned space* from unconditioned attic spaces shall **comply with Table R402.1.3 for wood frame walls**. ~~meet the same insulation requirements as above-grade walls.~~ **Steel attic knee wall assemblies shall comply with Section R402.2.7.** Such knee walls shall have an *air barrier* between conditioned and unconditioned space.

R402.2.3.1 Truss Roof truss framing separating conditioned and unconditioned space Where **wood** vertical roof truss framing members are used to separate *conditioned space* and unconditioned space, they shall **comply with Table R402.1.3 for wood frame walls**. ~~meet the same insulation requirements as the above-grade walls.~~ **Steel frame vertical roof truss framing members used to separate *conditioned space* and unconditioned space shall comply with Section R402.2.7.**

R402.2.4 Eave baffle. For air-permeable insulation in vented attics, a baffle shall be installed adjacent to soffit and eave vents. Baffles shall maintain a net free area opening equal to or greater than the size of the vent. The baffle shall extend over the top of the attic insulation. The baffle shall be permitted to be any solid material. The baffle shall be installed to the outer edge of the *exterior wall* top plate so as to provide maximum space for attic insulation coverage over the top plate. Where soffit venting is not continuous, baffles shall be installed continuously to prevent *ventilation air* in the eave soffit from bypassing the baffle.

R402.2.5 Access hatches and doors. Access hatches and doors from conditioned to unconditioned spaces such as attics and crawl spaces shall be insulated to the same *R*-value required by **Table R402.1.3** for the wall or ceiling in which they are installed.

Exceptions:

1. Vertical doors providing access from conditioned spaces to unconditioned spaces that comply with the *fenestration* requirements of **Table R402.1.3** based on the applicable *climate zone* specified in **Chapter 3**.

2. Horizontal pull-down, stair-type access hatches in ceiling assemblies that provide access from conditioned to unconditioned spaces in Climate Zones 0 through 4 shall not be required to comply with the insulation level of the surrounding surfaces provided the hatch meets all of the following:
 - 2.1. The average U -factor of the hatch shall be less than or equal to $U-0.10$ or have an average insulation R -value of $R-10$ or greater.
 - 2.2. Not less than 75 percent of the panel area shall have an insulation R -value of $R-13$ or greater.
 - 2.3. The net area of the framed opening shall be less than or equal to 13.5 square feet (1.25 m^2).
 - 2.4. The perimeter of the hatch edge shall be weatherstripped.

The reduction shall not apply to the [Component performance total UA](#) alternative in **Section R402.1.5**.

R402.2.5.1 Access hatches and door insulation installation and retention. Vertical or horizontal access hatches and doors from *conditioned spaces* to *unconditioned spaces* such as attics and crawl spaces shall be weatherstripped. Access that prevents damaging or compressing the insulation shall be provided to all equipment. Where loose-fill insulation is installed, a wood-framed or equivalent baffle, retainer, or dam shall be installed to prevent loose-fill insulation from spilling into *living space* from higher to lower sections of the attic and from attics covering conditioned spaces to unconditioned spaces. The baffle or retainer shall provide a permanent means of maintaining the installed R -value of the loose-fill insulation.

R402.2.6 Mass walls. Mass walls where used as a component of the *building thermal envelope* shall be one of the following:

1. Above-ground walls of concrete block, concrete, insulated concrete form, masonry cavity, brick but not brick veneer, adobe, compressed earth block, rammed earth, solid timber, mass timber or solid logs.
2. Any wall having a heat capacity greater than or equal to $6 \text{ Btu/ft}^2 \times ^\circ\text{F}$ ($123 \text{ kJ/m}^2 \times \text{K}$).

R402.2.7 Steel-frame ceilings, walls and floors. Steel-frame ceilings, walls, and floors shall comply with the U -factor requirements of **Table R402.1.2**. The calculation of the U -factor for a steel-framed ceilings and walls in an [a building thermal envelope](#) assembly shall be determined in accordance with AISI S250 as modified herein.

1. Where the steel-framed wall contains no *cavity insulation*, and uses continuous insulation to satisfy the U -factor maximum, the steel-framed wall member spacing is permitted to be installed at any on center spacing.
2. Where the steel-framed wall contains framing spaced at 24 inches (610 mm) on center with a 23 percent framing factor or framing spaced at 16 inches (400 mm) on center with a 25 percent framing factor, the next lower framing member spacing input values shall be used when calculating using AISI S250.
3. Where the steel-framed wall contains less than 23 percent framing factors the AISI S250 shall be used without any modifications.
4. Where the steel-framed wall contains other than standard C-shape framing members the AISI S250 calculation option for other than standard C-shape framing is permitted to be used.

R402.2.8 Floors. Floor *insulation* shall ~~comply with one~~ [be installed in accordance with all of](#)

the following:

1. Table R402.1.2 or Table R402.1.3 and manufacturer's instructions.
2. Floor framing members that are part of the *building thermal envelope* shall be air sealed to maintain a *continuous air barrier*.
3. One of the following methods:
 - 3.1 ~~4. Insulation~~ *Cavity insulation* shall be installed to maintain permanent contact with the underside of the subfloor decking in accordance with manufacturer instructions to maintain required R-value or readily fill the available cavity space.
 - 2-3.2 Floor framing cavity *Cavity insulation* shall be permitted installed to be in maintain contact with the top side of sheathing separating the cavity and the unconditioned space below. Insulation shall extend from the bottom to the top of all perimeter floor framing members and the framing members shall be air sealed.
 - 3-3.3 A combination of *cavity insulation* and *continuous insulation* shall be installed so such that the *cavity insulation* is in maintains contact with the top side of the *continuous insulation* that is installed on and the *continuous insulation* maintains contact with the underside of the floor framing structural floor system separating the cavity and the unconditioned space below. The R-values of the cavity and continuous insulation components or the R-value of continuous insulation only shall equal the required insulation component R-values for floors. ~~Cavity insulation~~ *Insulation* shall extend from the bottom to the top of all perimeter floor framing members and the framing members shall be air sealed.
 - 3.4 *Continuous insulation* shall be installed to maintain contact with the underside of the structural floor system. Insulation shall extend from the bottom to the top of all perimeter floor framing members.

R402.2.9 Basement walls. Basement walls shall be insulated in accordance with **Table R402.1.3**.

Exception: Basement walls associated with unconditioned basements where all of the following requirements are met:

1. The floor overhead, including the underside stairway stringer leading to the basement, is insulated in accordance with **Section R402.1.3** and applicable provisions of **Sections R402.2** and **R402.2.8**.
2. There are no uninsulated ~~duct~~ *ductwork*, domestic hot water *piping*, or hydronic heating surfaces exposed to the basement.
3. There are no HVAC supply or return diffusers serving the basement.
4. The walls surrounding the stairway and adjacent to *conditioned space* are insulated in accordance with **Section R402.1.3** and applicable provisions of **Section R402.2**.
5. The door(s) leading to the basement from conditioned spaces are insulated in accordance with **Section R402.1.3** and applicable provisions of **Section R402.2**, and weatherstripped in accordance with **Section R402.5**.
6. The *building thermal envelope* separating the basement from adjacent conditioned spaces complies with **Section R402.5**.

R402.2.9.1 Basement wall insulation installation. Where *basement walls* are insulated, the insulation shall be installed from the top of the *basement wall* down to 10 feet (3048 mm) below grade or to the basement floor, whichever is less, or in accordance with the *proposed design* or the *rated design*, as applicable.

R402.2.10 Slab-on-grade floors. Slab-on-grade floors, in contact with the ground, with a

floor surface within 24 inches (600 mm) above or below grade shall be insulated in accordance with ~~Table R402.1.3~~ either Section R402.2.10.1 or R402.2.10.2.

Exception: Slab-edge insulation is not required in jurisdictions designated by the *code official* as having a very heavy termite infestation *probability*.

R402.2.10.1 Slab-on-grade floor insulation installation. *For buildings complying with Section R401.2.1,* ~~Where installed,~~ the slab edge continuous insulation shall extend downward from the top of the slab on the outside or inside of the foundation wall. Insulation located below grade shall be extended the vertical distance provided in **Table R402.1.3** , but need not exceed the footing depth in accordance with Section R403.1.4 of the International Residential Code. ~~Alternatively, a proposed design for slab insulation R-value and installation shall comply with Table R402.1.2, Section R402.1.5, or Section R405.~~ Where a proposed design includes insulation extending away from the *building*, it shall be protected by pavement or by not less than 10 inches (254 mm) of soil. The top edge of the insulation installed between the *exterior wall* and the edge of the interior slab shall be permitted to be cut at a 45-degree (0.79 rad) angle away from the *exterior wall*. ~~Where installed, full~~ Full slab insulation shall be continuous under the entire area of the slab-on-grade floor, except at structural column locations and service penetrations. Slab edge insulation required at the *heated slab* perimeter shall not be required to extend below the bottom of the *heated slab* and shall be continuous with the full slab insulation.

R402.2.10.2 Alternative slab-on-grade insulation configurations *For buildings complying with Sections R405 or R406, slab-on-grade insulation shall be installed in accordance with the proposed design or rated design. The proposed design or rated design shall use an alternative insulation configuration and associated F-factor complying with Appendix A of ASHRAE 90.1 or, where adopted, Appendix RF of this code. Where used to comply with Section R401.2.1, the F-factor shall be equal to or less than the F-factor required by Table R402.1.2 for a heated or unheated slab, as applicable.*

R402.2.11 Crawl space walls. Crawl space walls shall be insulated in accordance with ~~Table R402.1.3~~ one of the following:

Exception: Crawl space walls associated with a crawl space that is vented to the outdoors and the floor overhead is insulated in accordance with **Table R402.1.3** and **Section R402.2.8**.

R402.2.11.1 Crawl space wall insulation installations. *Where installed,* ~~Crawl~~ crawl space wall insulation shall be secured to the wall and extend downward from the sill plate to not less than the top of the foundation wall footing. ~~comply with the following:~~

Exception: *Where the crawl space wall insulation is installed on the interior side of the wall and the crawl space floor is more than 24 inches (610 mm) below the exterior grade, the crawl space wall insulation shall be permitted to extend downward from the sill plate at the top of the foundation wall to not less than the interior floor of the crawl space.*

- ~~1. Where exterior crawl space wall insulation is installed, it shall be permanently attached to the wall and extend downward from the sill plate to not less than the base of the foundation wall.~~
- ~~2. Where interior crawl space wall insulation is installed, it shall be permanently attached to the foundation wall and extend downward from the sill plate at the top of the foundation wall to not less than the interior floor of the crawl space.~~

Exposed earth in crawl space foundations shall be covered with a continuous Class I vapor retarder in accordance with the **International Building Code** or **International Residential Code**, as applicable. Joints of the vapor retarder shall overlap by 6 inches (153 mm) and be sealed or taped. The edges of the vapor retarder shall extend not less than 6 inches (153 mm) up stem walls and shall be attached to the stem walls.

R402.2.11.2 Alternative crawl space wall insulation configurations For buildings complying with Sections R405 or R406 *crawl space wall* insulation shall be installed in accordance with the *proposed design* or *rated design*. The *proposed design* or *rated design* shall use an alternative insulation configuration and associated U-factor or C-factor complying with Appendix A of ASHRAE 90.1 or, where adopted, Appendix RF of this code. Where used to comply with Section R401.2.1, the U-factor or C-factor shall be equal to or less than the U-factor required by Table R402.1.2 for crawl space walls.

R402.2.12 Masonry veneer. Insulation shall not be required on the horizontal portion of a foundation that supports a masonry veneer.

R402.2.13 Sunroom and heated garage insulation. Sunrooms enclosing *conditioned space* and heated garages shall meet the insulation requirements of this code.

Exception: For sunrooms and heated garages provided *thermal isolation*, and enclosed *conditioned space*, the following exceptions to the insulation requirements of this code shall apply:

1. The minimum ceiling insulation *R*-values shall be R-19 in *Climate Zones* 0 through 4 and R-24 in *Climate Zones* 5 through 8.
2. The minimum wall insulation *R*-value shall be R-13 in all *climate zones*. Walls separating a *sunroom* or heated garage with *thermal isolation* from *conditioned space* shall comply with the *building thermal envelope* requirements of this code.

R402.3 Radiant barriers Where installed to reduce thermal radiation, radiant barriers shall be installed in accordance with ASTM C1743.

R402.4 Fenestration. In addition to the requirements of **Section R402**, *fenestration* shall comply with **Sections R402.4.1** through **R402.4.5**.

R402.4.1 U-factor. An area-weighted average of *fenestration* products shall be permitted to satisfy the *U*-factor requirements.

R402.4.2 Glazed fenestration SHGC. An area-weighted average of *fenestration* products more than 50-percent glazed shall be permitted to satisfy the SHGC requirements.

Dynamic glazing shall be permitted to satisfy the SHGC requirements of **Table R402.1.2** provided that the ratio of the higher to lower *labeled* SHGC is greater than or equal to 2.4, and the *dynamic glazing* is automatically controlled to modulate the amount of solar gain into the space in multiple steps. *Dynamic glazing* shall be considered separately from other *fenestration*, and area-weighted averaging with other *fenestration* that is not dynamic glazing shall be prohibited.

Exception: Dynamic glazing shall not be required to comply with this section where both the lower and higher *labeled* SHGC comply with the requirements of **Table R402.1.2**.

R402.4.3 Glazed fenestration exemption. Not greater than 15 square feet (1.4 m²) of glazed *fenestration* per *dwelling unit* shall be exempt from the *U*-factor and SHGC

requirements in **Section R402.1.2**. This exemption shall not apply to the **Component performance Total UA** alternative in **Section R402.1.5**.

R402.4.4 Opaque door exemption. One side-hinged *opaque door* assembly not greater than 24 square feet (2.22 m²) in area shall be exempt from the *U-factor* requirement in **Section R402.1.2**. This exemption shall not apply to the **Component performance Total UA** alternative in **Section R402.1.5**.

R402.4.5 Sunroom and heated garage fenestration. *Sunrooms* and heated garages enclosing *conditioned space* shall comply with the *fenestration* requirements of this code.

Exception: In Climate Zones 2 through 8, for *sunrooms* and heated garages with *thermal isolation* and enclosing *conditioned space*, the *fenestration U-factor* shall not exceed 0.45 and the skylight *U-factor* shall not exceed 0.70.

New *fenestration* separating a *sunroom* or heated garage with *thermal isolation* from *conditioned space* shall comply with the *building thermal envelope* requirements of this code.

R402.5 Air leakage. The *building thermal envelope* shall be constructed to limit air leakage in accordance with the requirements of **Sections R402.5.1** through R402.5.6.

R402.5.1 Building thermal envelope. The *building thermal envelope* shall comply with **Sections R402.5.1.1** through **R402.5.1.5**. The sealing methods between dissimilar materials shall allow for differential expansion and contraction.

R402.5.1.1 Installation. The components of the *building thermal envelope* as indicated in **Table R402.5.1.1** shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and the criteria indicated in **Table R402.5.1.1**, as applicable to the method of construction. Where required by the *code official*, an *approved* third party shall inspect all components and verify compliance.

**TABLE R402.5.1.1
AIR BARRIER, AIR SEALING AND INSULATION INSTALLATION^a**

COMPONENT	AIR BARRIER, AIR SEALING CRITERIA	INSULATION INSTALLATION CRITERIA
General requirements	<p>A continuous air barrier shall be installed in the <i>building thermal envelope</i>.</p> <p>Breaks or joints in the air barrier shall be sealed.</p>	<p>Air-permeable insulation shall not be used as a sealing material.</p>
Ceiling/attic	<p>A sealed An air barrier shall be installed in any dropped ceiling or soffit to separate it from unconditioned space. Access openings, drop down stairs or knee wall doors to unconditioned attic spaces shall be air sealed with gasketing materials that allow for repeated entrance over time.</p>	<p>The insulation in any dropped ceiling/soffit shall be aligned with the air barrier. Access hatches and doors shall be installed and insulated in accordance with Section R402.2.5</p> <p>Eave Baffles shall be installed in accordance with Section R402.2.4</p>
Walls	<p>The junction of the foundation and sill plate shall be sealed.</p> <p>The junction of the top plate and the top of exterior walls shall be sealed.</p> <p>Knee walls shall be sealed.</p>	<p>Cavities within corners and headers of frame walls shall be insulated by completely filling the cavity with a material having a thermal resistance, <i>R</i>-value, of not less than R-3 per inch. Exterior <i>building thermal envelope</i> insulation for framed walls shall be installed in substantial contact and continuous alignment with the air barrier.</p>
Knee wall	<p>Knee walls shall have an air barrier between conditioned and unconditioned space</p>	<p>Insulation installed in a knee wall assembly shall be installed in accordance with Section R402.2.3</p> <p>Air-permeable insulation shall be enclosed inside an air barrier assembly.</p>

<p>Windows, skylights and doors</p>	<p>The space rough opening gap between framing and the frames of skylights, and the jambs of windows and doors, shall be sealed in accordance with fenestration manufacturer's instructions.</p>	<p>Insulation shall not be required in the rough opening gap except as required by the fenestration manufacturer's instructions. Framing cavities around windows, skylights and doors shall be completely filled with insulation or insulated per window manufacturer's instructions.</p>
<p>Rim joists</p>	<p>Rim joists shall include an air barrier. The junctions of the rim board to the sill plate and the rim board and the subfloor shall be air sealed.</p>	<p>Rim joists shall be insulated so that the insulation maintains permanent contact with the exterior rim board.^b</p>
<p>Floors, including cantilevered floors and floors above garages</p>	<p>The air barrier shall be installed at any exposed edge of insulation. Floor framing members that are part of the building thermal envelope shall be air sealed to maintain a continuous air barrier.</p> <p>Air permeable floor cavity insulation shall be enclosed.</p>	<p>Floor framing cavity insulation shall be installed in accordance with the requirements of Section R402.2.8 to maintain permanent contact with the underside of subfloor decking. Alternatively, floor framing cavity insulation shall be in contact with the top side of sheathing, or continuous insulation installed on the underside of floor framing and extending from the bottom to the top of all perimeter floor framing members.</p>
<p>Basement, crawl space, and slab foundations</p>	<p>Exposed earth in unvented crawl spaces shall be covered with a Class I vapor retarder/air barrier in accordance with Section R402.2.11. Penetrations through concrete foundation walls and slabs shall be air sealed. Class 1 vapor retarders shall not be used as an air barrier on below-grade walls and shall be installed in accordance with Section R702.7 of the <i>International Residential Code</i>.</p>	<p>Crawl space insulation, where provided instead of floor insulation, shall be installed in accordance with Section R402.2.11. Conditioned basement foundation wall insulation shall be installed in accordance with Section R402.2.9.1. Slab-on-grade floor insulation shall be installed in accordance with Section R402.2.11.</p>

Shafts, penetrations	<p><i>Duct</i> and flue shafts to exterior or unconditioned space shall be sealed. Utility penetrations of the air barrier shall be caulked, gasketed or otherwise sealed and shall allow for expansion, contraction of materials and mechanical vibration.</p>	<p>Insulation shall be fitted tightly around utilities passing through shafts and penetrations in the <i>building thermal envelope</i> to maintain required <i>R</i>-value.</p>
Narrow cavities	<p>Narrow cavities of 1 inch or less that are not able to be insulated shall be air sealed.</p>	<p>Batts to be installed in narrow cavities shall be cut to fit or narrow cavities shall be filled with insulation that on installation readily conforms to the available cavity space.</p>
Garage separation	<p>Air sealing shall be provided between the garage and conditioned spaces.</p>	<p>Insulated portions of the garage separation assembly shall be installed in accordance with Sections R303 and R402.2.8.</p>
Recessed lighting	<p>Recessed light fixtures installed in the <i>building thermal envelope</i> shall be air sealed in accordance with Section R402.5.5.</p>	<p>Recessed light fixtures installed in the <i>building thermal envelope</i> shall be airtight and IC rated, and shall be buried in or surrounded with insulation.</p>
Plumbing, wiring or other obstructions	<p>All holes created by wiring, plumbing or other obstructions in the air barrier assembly shall be air sealed.</p>	<p>Insulation shall be installed to fill the available space and surround wiring, plumbing, or other obstructions, unless the required <i>R</i>-value can be met by installing insulation and air barrier systems completely to the exterior side of the obstructions.</p>
Showers, tubs, and fireplaces adjacent to the <i>building thermal envelope</i>	<p>An air barrier shall separate insulation in the <i>building thermal envelope</i> from the shower, tub, and/or fireplace assemblies.</p>	<p>Exterior framed walls adjacent to showers, tubs and fireplaces shall be insulated.</p>

<p>Electrical, communication, and other equipment boxes, housings, and enclosures</p>	<p>Boxes, housing, and enclosures that penetrate the air barrier shall be caulked, taped, gasketed, or otherwise sealed to the air barrier element being penetrated.</p> <p>All concealed openings into the box, housing, or enclosure shall be sealed.</p> <p>The continuity of the air barrier shall be maintained around boxes, housings, and enclosures that penetrate the air barrier.</p> <p>Alternatively, air-sealed boxes shall be installed in accordance with R402.5.6.</p>	<p>Boxes, housing, and enclosures shall be buried in or surrounded by insulation.</p>
<p>HVAC register boots</p>	<p>HVAC supply and return register boots that penetrate the building thermal envelope shall be sealed to the subfloor, wall covering or ceiling penetrated by the boot.</p>	<p>HVAC supply and return register boots located within a in the building's building thermal envelope assembly shall be buried and in or surrounded by insulation.</p>
<p>Concealed sprinklers</p>	<p>Where required to be sealed, concealed fire sprinklers shall only be sealed in a manner that is recommended by the manufacturer. Caulking or other adhesive sealants shall not be used to fill voids between fire sprinkler cover plates and walls or ceilings.</p>	<p>—</p>

<p>Common walls or double walls separating attached single-family dwellings or townhouses</p>	<p>Air sealing materials recognized in a listed fire-resistance rated common wall or double wall design and installed in accordance with the listing, or air sealing materials recognized in an approved design, shall be used.</p> <p>Common walls or double walls shall be considered an exterior wall for the purposes of air barrier and air sealing application of this Table. An interior air barrier shall be provided. Air sealing at the intersections with building thermal envelope shall be provided.</p> <p>Where installed in a fire-resistance rated wall assembly, air sealing materials shall comply with one of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. be in accordance with an approved design for the fire resistance-rated assembly. 2. be supported by approved data that shows the assembly as installed complies with the required fire-resistance rating 	<p>Insulation materials recognized in the approved listed common wall or double-wall design and installed in accordance with the listing, or insulation materials recognized in the approved design, shall be permitted to be used.</p>
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- a. Inspection of log walls shall be in accordance with the provisions of **ICC 400**.
- b. Insulation full enclosure is not required in unconditioned/ventilated attic spaces and at rim joists.

R402.5.1.2 Testing-Air leakage testing. The *building* or each *dwelling unit* in the building shall be tested for air leakage. The maximum air leakage rate for any ~~building or dwelling unit~~ under any compliance path shall not exceed 4.0 air changes per hour or 0.22 cfm/ft² (1.1 L/s x m²) of ~~building or dwelling unit~~ enclosure area. Testing shall be conducted in accordance with **ANSI/RESNET/ICC 380, ASTM E779, ASTM E1827** or ASTM E3158 and reported at a pressure differential of 0.2 inch water gauge (50 Pa). Where required by the *code official*, testing shall be conducted by an *approved* third party. A written report

of the results of the test shall be signed by the party conducting the test and provided to the *code official*. Testing shall be performed at any time after creation of all penetrations of the *building thermal envelope* have been sealed.

During testing:

1. Exterior windows and doors, fireplace and stove doors shall be closed, but not sealed, beyond the intended weatherstripping or other *infiltration* control measures.
2. Dampers including exhaust, intake, makeup air, backdraft and flue dampers shall be closed, but not sealed beyond intended *infiltration* control measures.
3. Interior doors, where installed at the time of the test, shall be open.
4. Exterior or interior terminations for continuous *ventilation* systems shall be sealed.
5. Heating and cooling systems, where installed at the time of the test, shall be turned off.
6. Supply and return registers, where installed at the time of the test, shall be fully open.

Exceptions:

- ~~1. When testing individual dwelling units, an air leakage rate not exceeding 0.27 cubic feet per minute per square foot [1.35 L/s x m²] of the dwelling unit enclosure area, tested in accordance with ANSI/RESNET/ICC 380, ASTM E779 or ASTM E1827 and reported at a pressure of 0.2 inch w.g. (50 Pa), shall be permitted in all climate zones for:
 - 1.1 Attached single and multiple family building dwelling units.
 - 1.2 Buildings or dwelling units that are 1,500 square feet (139.4 m²) or smaller.~~
- ~~2.1.~~ For heated, attached private garages and heated, detached private garages accessory to one- and two-family dwellings and townhouses not more than three stories above *grade plane* in height, *building thermal envelope* tightness and insulation installation shall be considered acceptable where the items in Table R402.5.1.1, applicable to the method of construction, are field verified. Where required by the *code official*, an *approved* third party independent from the installer shall inspect both *air barrier* and insulation installation criteria. Heated, attached private garage space and heated, detached private garage space shall be thermally isolated from all other habitable, conditioned spaces in accordance with Sections R402.2.13 and R402.4.5, as applicable.
- ~~3.2.~~ Where tested in accordance with R402.5.1.4 **Section R402.5.1.2.1**, testing of each *dwelling unit* is not required.

During testing:

- ~~1. Exterior windows and doors, fireplace and stove doors shall be closed, but not sealed, beyond the intended weatherstripping or other *infiltration* control measures.~~
- ~~2. Dampers including exhaust, intake, makeup air, backdraft and flue dampers shall be closed, but not sealed beyond intended *infiltration* control measures.~~
- ~~3. Interior doors, where installed at the time of the test, shall be open.~~
- ~~4. Exterior or interior terminations for continuous *ventilation* systems shall be sealed.~~

- ~~5. Heating and cooling systems, where installed at the time of the test, shall be turned off.~~
- ~~6. Supply and return registers, where installed at the time of the test, shall be fully open.~~

~~Mechanical ventilation shall be provided in accordance with **Section M1505** of the *International Residential Code* or **Section 403.3.2** of the *International Mechanical Code*, as applicable, or with other approved means of ventilation.~~

~~**R402.5.1.4**~~**R402.5.1.2.1 Dwelling unit sampling.** For buildings with eight or more *dwelling units*, ~~the greater of seven or 20 percent of the *dwelling units*, whichever is greater, in the building~~ shall be tested. Tested units shall include a top floor unit, a ground floor unit, a middle floor unit, and the *dwelling unit* with the largest *dwelling unit* enclosure area. Where the air leakage rate of a tested unit is greater than the maximum permitted air leakage rate, corrective actions shall be taken made to the unit and the unit re-tested until it passes. For each tested *dwelling unit with an* that has a greater air leakage rate greater than the maximum permitted air leakage rate, ~~an additional three additional units, including the corrected unit, shall be tested.~~ Where buildings have fewer than eight *dwelling units*, each *dwelling unit* shall be tested.

~~**R402.5.1.3**~~**R402.5.1.5 Prescriptive air leakage rate.** - When complying with **Section R401.2.1**, the building or each *dwelling unit* in the building shall have an air leakage rate not exceeding 4.0 air changes per hour in Climate Zones 0, 1 and 2, 3.0 air changes per hour in Climate Zones 3 through 5, and 2.5 air changes per hour in Climate Zones 6 through 8, when tested in accordance with **Section R402.5.1.2**.

R402.5.1.3 Maximum air leakage rate Where tested in accordance with Section R402.5.1.2, the air leakage rate for *buildings* or *dwelling units* shall be as follows:

1. Where complying with Section R401.2.1, the *building* or *dwelling units* in the *building* shall have an air leakage rate not greater than 4.0 air changes per hour in Climate Zones 0, 1 and 2, 3.0 air changes per hour in Climate Zones 3 through 5, and 2.5 air changes per hour in Climate Zones 6 through 8.
2. Where complying with Section R401.2.2 or R401.2.3, the *building* or *dwelling units* in the *building* shall have an air leakage rate not greater than 4.0 air changes per hour, or 0.22 cfm/ft² (1.1 L/s x m²) of the *building thermal envelope area* or *dwelling unit enclosure area*, as applicable.

Exceptions:

1. Where *dwelling units* are attached or located in an R-2 occupancy, and are tested without simultaneously testing adjacent *dwelling units*, the air leakage rate is permitted to be not greater than 0.27 cfm/ft² (1.35 L/s x m²) of the *dwelling unit enclosure area*. Where adjacent *dwelling units* are simultaneously tested in accordance with ASTM E779, the air leakage rate is permitted to be not greater than 0.27 cfm/ft² (1.35 L/s x m²) of the *dwelling unit enclosure area* that separates *conditioned space* from the exterior.
2. Where *buildings* have 1,500 square feet (139.4 m²) or less of *conditioned floor area*, the air leakage rate is permitted to be not greater than 0.27 cfm/ft² (1.35 L/s x m²).

R402.5.2 Fireplaces. New wood-burning fireplaces shall have tight-fitting flue dampers or doors, and outdoor combustion air. Where using tight-fitting doors on factory-built fireplaces *listed and labeled* in accordance with **UL 127**, the doors shall be tested and *listed* for the fireplace.

R402.5.3 Fenestration air leakage. Windows, *skylights* and sliding glass doors shall have an air *infiltration* rate of not greater than 0.3 cfm per square foot (1.5 L/s/m²), and for swinging doors, not greater than 0.5 cfm per square foot (2.6 L/s/m²), when tested in accordance with **NFRC 400** or **AAMA/WDMA/CSA 101/I.S.2/A440** by an accredited, independent laboratory and *listed and labeled* by the manufacturer.

Exception: Site-built windows, *skylights* and doors.

~~R402.5.5~~**R402.5.4 Recessed lighting.** Recessed luminaires installed in the *building thermal envelope* shall be sealed to limit air leakage between conditioned and *unconditioned spaces*. Recessed luminaires shall be IC-rated and *labeled* as having an air leakage rate of not greater than 2.0 cfm (0.944 L/s) when tested in accordance with **ASTM E283** at a pressure differential of 1.57 psf (75 Pa). Recessed luminaires shall be sealed with a gasket or caulked between the housing and the interior wall or ceiling covering.

~~R402.5.6~~**R402.5.5 Air-Sealed electrical and communication outlet boxes .** Air-sealed electrical and communication outlet boxes that penetrate the *air barrier* of the *building thermal envelope* shall be caulked, taped, gasketed, or otherwise sealed to the *air barrier* element being penetrated. Air sealed boxes shall be buried in or surrounded by insulation. Air-sealed boxes shall be tested and marked in accordance with NEMA OS 4. Air-sealed boxes shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions .

R402.6 Maximum fenestration U-factor and SHGC. The area-weighted average maximum *fenestration U-factor* permitted using tradeoffs from **Section R402.1.5** or **R405** shall be 0.48 in Climate Zones 4 and 5 and 0.40 in Climate Zones 6 through 8 for vertical *fenestration* , and 0.75 in Climate Zones 4 through 8 for skylights. The area-weighted average maximum *fenestration* SHGC permitted using tradeoffs from **Section R405** in *Climate Zones* 0 through 3 shall be 0.40.

Exception: The maximum *U-factor* and *solar heat gain coefficient* (SHGC) for *fenestration* shall not be required in storm shelters complying with **ICC 500**.

SECTION R403 SYSTEMS

R403.1 Controls. Not less than one *thermostat* shall be provided for each separate heating and cooling system.

R403.1.1 Programmable thermostat. The *thermostat* controlling the primary heating or cooling system of the *dwelling unit* shall be capable of controlling the heating and cooling system on a daily schedule to maintain different temperature set points at different times of day and different days of the week. This *thermostat* shall include the capability to set back or temporarily operate the system to maintain *zone* temperatures of not less than 55°F (13°C) to not greater than 85°F (29°C). The *thermostat* shall be programmed initially by the manufacturer with a heating temperature setpoint of not greater than 70°F (21°C) and a cooling temperature setpoint of not less than 78°F (26°C).

R403.1.2 Heat pump supplementary heat. Heat pumps having supplementary electric-resistance , *fuel gas, or liquid fuel* fuel-oil heat system heating systems shall have controls that are configured to prevent supplemental heat operation when the capacity of the heat pump

compressor can meet the heating load. ~~Limit supplemental~~ Supplemental heat operation shall be limited to only those times when ~~where~~ one of the following applies:

1. The vapor compression cycle cannot provide the necessary heating energy to satisfy the *thermostat* setting.
2. The heat pump is operating in defrost mode.
3. The vapor compression cycle malfunctions.
4. The *thermostat* malfunctions.

R403.1.3 ~~Continuously burning pilot light~~ Continuous pilot. Gas fireplace systems are not permitted to be equipped with a continuously burning ~~continuous~~ pilot light.

Exception: Any fireplace equipped with an on-demand, intermittent or *interrupted ignition* pilot light (as defined in ~~CSA/ANSI Z21.20:2 • CSA C22.2 No. 60730-2-5:22 • UL 60730-2-5~~) is not considered to have a continuously burning pilot light.

R403.2 Hot water boiler temperature reset. ~~Other than where equipped with tankless domestic water heating coils, the~~ The manufacturer shall equip each gas, *liquid fuel* oil and electric boiler (other than a boiler equipped with a tankless domestic water heating coil) with *automatic* means of adjusting the water temperature supplied by the boiler to ensure ~~so that~~ incremental change of the inferred heat load will cause an incremental change in the temperature of the water supplied by the boiler. This can be accomplished with outdoor reset, indoor reset or water temperature sensing.

R403.3 Duct systems. ~~Ducts and air handlers~~ *Duct systems* shall be installed in accordance with Sections R403.3.1 through ~~R403.3.8~~ R403.3.9.

Exception: *Ventilation ductwork* that is not integrated with *duct systems* serving heating or cooling systems.

R403.3.1 Duct system design. *Duct systems* serving one or two *dwelling units* shall be designed and sized in accordance with ANSI/ACCA Manual D. *Duct systems* serving more than two *dwelling units* shall be sized in accordance with the ASHRAE Handbook of Fundamentals, ANSI/ACCA Manual D, or other equivalent computation procedure.

~~R403.3.8~~ **R403.3.2 Building cavities.** *Building* framing cavities shall not be used as ~~ducts~~ *ductwork* or *plenums*.

~~R403.3.1~~ **R403.3.3 Ducts** *Ductwork* located outside conditioned space. Supply and return *ductwork* ducts located outside *conditioned space* shall be insulated to an *R*-value of not less than *R*-8 for ducts 3 inches (76 mm) in diameter and larger and not less than *R*-6 for ducts smaller than 3 inches (76 mm) in diameter. *Ducts* *Ductwork* buried beneath a *building* shall be insulated as required per this section or have an equivalent *thermal distribution efficiency*. Underground *ductwork* ducts utilizing the *thermal distribution efficiency* method shall be *listed* and *labeled* to indicate the *R*-value equivalency.

~~R403.3.2~~ **R403.3.4 Ducts** *Duct systems* located in conditioned space. For ~~ductwork~~ *duct systems* to be considered inside a *conditioned space*, ~~the space conditioning equipment shall be located completely on the conditioned side of the building thermal envelope.~~ The *ductwork* shall comply with one of the following as applicable:

1. The ~~duct system~~ *ductwork* shall be located completely within the ~~continuous air barrier and within~~ on the conditioned side of the *building thermal envelope*.

2. *Ductwork* in ventilated attic spaces or unvented attics with vapor diffusion ports shall be buried within ceiling insulation in accordance with **Section R403.3.5** and **all of shall comply with** the following ~~conditions shall exist~~:
 - ~~2.1. The air handler is located completely within the *continuous air barrier* and within the *building thermal envelope*.~~
 - ~~2.2.2.1~~ The ~~duct~~ *ductwork* leakage, as measured either by a rough-in test of the *supply and return ductwork* ducts or a post-construction total *duct* system leakage test to outside the *building thermal envelope* in accordance with ~~Section R403.3.7~~ **Section R403.3.7**, ~~is less than or equal to~~ **is not greater than** 1.5 cubic feet per minute (42.5 L/min) per 100 square feet (9.29 m²) of *conditioned floor area* served by the *duct system*.
 - ~~2.3.2.2~~ The ceiling insulation *R-value* installed against and above the insulated ~~duct~~ *ductwork* is greater than or equal to the proposed ceiling insulation *R-value*, less the *R-value* of the insulation on the ~~duct~~ *ductwork*.
3. *Ductwork* ~~located in~~ **contained within** wall or floor ~~building~~ assemblies separating unconditioned from *conditioned space* shall comply with the following:
 - 3.1. A *continuous air barrier* shall be installed as part of the *building* assembly between the ~~duct~~ *ductwork* and the unconditioned space.
 - 3.2. ~~Ducts~~ *Ductwork* shall be installed in accordance with ~~Section R403.3.1~~ **R403.3.3**.
Exception: Where the *building* assembly cavities containing *ducts ductwork* have been air sealed in accordance with Section R402.5.1 and **insulated in accordance with Item 3.3**, *duct* insulation is not required.
 - 3.3. Not less than R-10 insulation, and ~~or~~ not less than 50 percent of the required **insulation** *R-value* specified in Table R402.1.3, **whichever is greater**, shall be located between the ~~duct~~ *ductwork* and the unconditioned space.
 - 3.4 ~~For ducts in these building assemblies to be considered within conditioned space, the air handling equipment shall be installed within conditioned space.~~ **Segments of ductwork contained within these building assemblies shall not be considered completely inside conditioned space in Sections R405 or R406.**

~~R403.3.3~~ **R403.3.5 Ducts Ductwork buried within ceiling insulation.** Where supply and return *ductwork* air ducts are **is** partially or completely buried in ceiling insulation, such ~~ducts~~ *ductwork* shall comply with ~~all of~~ the following:

1. The supply and return ~~ducts~~ *ductwork* shall **be insulated with** ~~have an insulation R-value~~ not less than R-8 **insulation**.
2. At all points along ~~each duct~~ *the ductwork*, the sum of the ceiling insulation *R-value* against and above the top of the ~~duct~~ *ductwork*, and against and below the bottom of the ~~duct~~ *ductwork*, shall be not less than R-19, excluding the *R-value* of the *duct* insulation.
3. In Climate Zones 0A, 1A, 2A and 3A, the supply ~~ducts~~ *ductwork* shall be completely buried within ceiling insulation, insulated to an *R-value* of not less than R-13 and in compliance with the vapor retarder requirements of **Section 604.11** of the *International Mechanical Code* or **Section M1601.4.6** of the *International Residential Code*, as applicable.

Exception: Sections of the supply ~~duct~~ *ductwork* that are less than 3 feet (914 mm) from the supply outlet ~~shall not be required to comply with these requirements~~.

4. In Climate Zones 0A, 1A, 2A and 3A ~~when~~ **where** installed in an unvented attic with vapor diffusion ports, the supply ~~ducts~~ **ductwork** shall be completely buried within ~~the ceiling~~ **in the ceiling assembly at the floor of the attic**, insulated to an *R*-value of not less than R-8 and in compliance with the vapor retarder requirements of Section 604.11 of the *International Mechanical Code* or Section M1601.4.6 of the *International Residential Code*, as applicable.

Exception: Sections of the supply ~~duct~~ **ductwork** that are less than 3 feet (914 mm) from the supply outlet ~~shall not be required to comply with these requirements~~.

~~4.1 Air permeable insulation installed in unvented attics shall be in compliance with the requirements of Section R806.5.2~~ **Section R806.5.5.2** of the *International Residential Code*.

~~R403.3.3.1~~ **R403.3.5.1 Effective *R*-value of deeply buried ducts.** Where ~~complying~~ using **Section R405**, the ~~Building Simulated Performance Compliance Option in accordance with Section R401.2.2~~, sections of ducts ~~ductwork~~ that are installed in accordance with **Section R403.3.5** surrounded with blown-in attic insulation having an *R*-value of R-30 or greater, and located such that the top of the ~~duct~~ **ductwork** is not less than 3.5 inches (89 mm) below the top of the insulation, shall be considered as having an effective *duct* insulation *R*-value of R-25.

~~R403.3.4~~ **R403.3.6 Sealing.** Ducts, air handlers **Ductwork, air-handling units** and filter boxes shall be sealed. Joints and seams shall comply with either the ***International Mechanical Code*** or the ***International Residential Code***, as applicable.

~~R403.3.4.1~~ **R403.3.6.1 Sealed air handler/air-handling unit.** Air handlers **Air-handling units** shall have a manufacturer's designation for an air leakage of not greater than 2 percent of the design airflow rate when tested in accordance with **ASHRAE 193**.

~~R403.3.5~~ **R403.3.7 Duct system testing.** Each ~~duct system~~ **ducts system** shall be tested for air leakage in accordance with **ANSI/RESNET/ICC 380** or **ASTM E1554**. Total leakage shall be measured with a pressure differential of 0.1 inch **water gauge w.g.** (25 Pa) across the ~~system~~ **duct system** and shall include the measured leakage from the supply and return **ductwork**. ~~Registers shall be sealed during the test.~~ A written report of the test results shall be signed by the party conducting the test and provided to the *code official*. ~~Duct system~~ **Duct system** leakage testing at either rough-in or post-construction shall be permitted **with or without the installation of registers or grilles**. Where installed, registers and grilles shall be sealed during the test. Where registers and grilles are not installed, the face of the register boots shall be sealed during the test.

Exceptions:

1. Testing shall not be required for ~~duct systems~~ **duct systems** serving *ventilation* systems that are not integrated with ~~duct systems~~ **duct systems** serving heating or cooling systems.
2. Testing shall not be required where there is not more than 10 feet (3.03 m) of total **ductwork** external to the *space conditioning equipment* and both the following are met:
 - 2.1. The *duct system* is located entirely within *conditioned space*.
 - 2.2. The *ductwork* does not include *plenums* constructed of building cavities or gypsum board.

3. Where the *space conditioning equipment* is not installed, testing shall be permitted. The total measured leakage of the supply and return *ductwork* shall be less than or equal to 3.0 cubic feet per minute (85 L/min) per 100 square feet (9.29 m²) of *conditioned floor area*.
- 2.4. Where tested in accordance with Section R403.3.9, testing of each *duct system* ~~duct system~~ is not required.

R403.3.6R403.3.8 Duct system leakage. The total measured *duct system* leakage shall not be greater than the values in Table R403.3.6R403.3.8, based on the *conditioned floor area, number of ducted returns, and location of the duct system*. For buildings complying with Section R405 or R406, where *duct system* leakage to outside is tested in accordance with ANSI/RESNET/ICC 380 or ASTM E1554, the leakage to outside value shall not be used for compliance with this section, but shall be permitted to be used in the calculation procedures of Section R405 and R406.

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**TABLE R403.3.6 TABLE R403.3.8
MAXIMUM TOTAL DUCT SYSTEM LEAKAGE**

	ROUGH IN	POST CONSTRUCTION	
Duct systems serving more than 1,000 ft² of conditioned floor area	cfm/100 ft² (LPM/9.29 m²)	cfm/100 ft² (LPM/9.29 m²)	
Air handler is not installed	3 (85)	NA	
Air handler is installed	4 (113.3)	4 (113.3)	
Duct systems located in conditioned space, with air handler installed	8 (226.6)	8 (226.6)	
Duct systems serving less than or equal to 1,000 ft² of conditioned floor area	cfm (LPM)	cfm (LPM)	
Air handler is not installed	30 (849.5)	NA	
Air handler is installed	40 (1132.7)	40 (1132.7)	
Duct systems located in conditioned space, with air handler installed	80 (2265.4)	80 (2265.4)	
	Duct systems serving more than 1,000 ft ² of conditioned floor area		Duct systems serving 1,000 ft ² or less of conditioned floor area
	cfm/100 ft ² (LPM/9.29 m ²)		cfm (LPM)
	Number of ducted returns ^a		
	<3	≥3	Any
<i>Space conditioning equipment is not installed</i> ^{b,c}	3 (85)	4 (113)	30 (850)
All components of the <i>duct system</i> are installed ^c	4 (113)	6 (170)	40 (1133)
<i>Space conditioning equipment is not installed, but the ductwork is located entirely in conditioned space</i> ^{c,d}	6 (170)	8 (227)	60 (1699)
All components of the <i>duct system</i> are installed and entirely located in <i>conditioned space</i> ^c	8 (227)	12 (340)	80 (2265)

a. A ducted return is a duct made of sheet metal or flexible *duct* that connects one or more return grilles to the return-side inlet of the air-handling unit. Any other method to convey air from return or transfer grille(s) to the air-handling unit does not constitute a ducted return for the purpose of determining maximum total *duct system* leakage allowance.

b. Duct system testing is permitted where space conditioning equipment is not installed, provided

the return ductwork is installed, and the measured leakage from the supply and return ductwork is included.

c. For *duct systems* to be considered inside a *conditioned space*, where the *ductwork* is located in ventilated attic spaces or unvented attics with vapor diffusion ports, *duct system* leakage to outside must comply with Item 2.1 of Section R403.3.2.

d. Prior to certificate of occupancy, where the air-handling unit is not verified as being located in *conditioned space*, the total duct system leakage must be re-tested.

R403.3.7~~R403.3.9~~ **Dwelling unit sampling** For buildings with eight or more dwelling units the *duct* systems in the greater of seven, or 20 percent of the dwelling units in the *building* shall be tested, including a top floor unit, a ground floor unit, a middle floor unit, and the unit with the largest *conditioned floor area*. Where buildings have fewer than eight dwelling units, the *duct* systems in each unit shall be tested. Where the leakage ~~rate~~ of a *duct* system is greater than the maximum permitted *duct system* leakage ~~rate~~, corrective actions shall be made to the *duct system* ~~system~~ and the *duct system* shall be system retested until it passes. For each tested *dwelling unit* that has a greater *total duct system* leakage ~~rate~~ than the maximum permitted *duct system* leakage ~~rate~~, an additional three dwelling units, including the corrected unit, shall be tested.

R403.4 Mechanical system piping insulation. Mechanical system piping capable of carrying fluids greater than 105°F (41°C) or less than 55°F (13°C) shall be insulated to an *R*-value of not less than R-3.

R403.4.1 Protection of piping insulation. Piping insulation exposed to weather shall be protected from damage, including that caused by sunlight, moisture, physical damage, and wind. The protection shall provide shielding from solar radiation that can cause degradation of the material and shall be removable no less than 6 feet (1828 mm) from the equipment for maintenance. Adhesive tape shall be prohibited.

R403.5 Service hot water systems. Energy conservation measures for service hot water systems shall be in accordance with **Sections R403.5.1** through R403.5.5.

R403.5.1 Heated water circulation and temperature maintenance systems. Heated water circulation systems shall be in accordance with **Section R403.5.1.1**. Heat trace temperature maintenance systems shall be in accordance with **Section R403.5.1.2**. *Automatic* controls, temperature sensors and pumps shall be in a location with access. *Manual* controls shall be in a location with *ready access*.

R403.5.1.1 Circulation systems. Heated water circulation systems shall be provided with a circulation pump. *Gravity and thermosyphon circulation systems shall be prohibited*. ~~The system return pipe shall be a dedicated return pipe or a cold water supply pipe. Gravity and thermosyphon circulation systems shall be prohibited.~~ Controls for *circulating hot water system* pumps shall automatically turn off the pump when the water in the circulation loop is at the desired temperature and when there is no demand for hot water. *The system return pipe shall be a dedicated return pipe or a cold water supply pipe. Where a cold water supply pipe is used as the return pipe, a temperature sensor connected to the controls shall be located on the hot water supply no more than two feet from the connection to the cold water supply pipe.* The controls shall limit the temperature of the water entering the cold water piping to not greater than 104°F (40°C).

R403.5.1.1.1 Demand recirculation water systems. ~~Where installed, demand~~ *Demand recirculation water systems* shall have controls that start the pump upon receiving a signal from the action of a user of a fixture or appliance, sensing the presence of a user of a fixture or sensing the flow of hot or tempered water to a fixture

fitting or appliance. The controls shall limit pump operation by:

1. Shutting off the pump when the temperature sensor detects one of the following:
 - 1.1 An increase in the water temperature of not more than 10°F (5.6°C) above the initial temperature of the water in the pipe.
 - 1.2 The temperature of the water in the pipe reaches 104°F (40°C).
2. Limiting pump operation to a maximum of five minutes following activation.
3. Not activating the pump for at least five minutes following shutoff or when the temperature of the water in the pipe exceeds 104°F (40°C).

R403.5.1.2 Heat trace systems. Electric heat trace systems shall comply with **IEEE 515.1** or **UL 515**. Controls for such systems shall automatically adjust the energy input to the heat tracing to maintain the desired water temperature in the piping in accordance with the times when heated water is used in the occupancy.

R403.5.2 Hot water pipe insulation. Insulation for service hot water piping shall comply with Table R403.5.2 and be applied to the following:

1. Piping $\frac{3}{4}$ inch (19.1 mm) and larger in nominal diameter located inside the *conditioned space*.
2. Piping located outside the *conditioned space*.
3. Piping from the water heater to a distribution manifold.
4. Piping located under a floor slab.
5. Buried piping.
6. Supply and return piping in circulating hot water systems.

Exception: Cold water returns in demand recirculation water systems.

**TABLE R403.5.2
MINIMUM PIPE INSULATION THICKNESS**

FLUID OPERATING TEMPERATURE RANGE AND USAGE (°F)	INSULATION CONDUCTIVITY		MINIMUM PIPE INSULATION THICKNESS (in inches)
	Conductivity Btu × in./h × ft ² × °F) ^a	Mean Rating Temperature, °F	
141-200	0.25-0.29	125	1.0
105-140	0.21-0.28	100	1.0

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, °C = [(°F) – 32]/1.8.a For insulation outside the stated conductivity range listed in Table R403.5.2, the minimum thickness (T) listed in Table R403.5.2, shall be determined as follows:

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$$T = r [(1 + t / r)^{Kk} - 1]$$

T = Minimum insulation thickness.

r = Actual outside radius of pipe.

t = Insulation thickness listed in the table for applicable fluid temperature and pipe size; 1-inch.

K = Conductivity of alternate material at mean rating temperature indicated for the applicable fluid temperature (Btu × in/h × ft² × °F).

k = The upper value of the conductivity range listed in Table R403.5.2 for the applicable fluid temperature.

R403.5.3 Drain water heat recovery units. Where installed, drain water heat recovery units shall comply with **CSA B55.2**. Drain water heat recovery units shall be tested in accordance with **CSA B55.1**. Potable water-side pressure loss of drain water heat recovery units shall be less than 3 psi (20.7 kPa) for individual units connected to one or two showers. Potable water-side pressure loss of drain water heat recovery units shall be less than 2 psi (13.8 kPa) for individual units connected to three or more showers.

~~**R403.5.4 Water volume determination** The water volume in the piping shall be calculated in accordance with this section. Water heaters, circulating water systems and heat trace temperature maintenance systems shall be considered to be sources of heated water. The volume shall be the sum of the internal volumes of pipe, fittings, valves, meters and manifolds between the nearest source of heated water and the termination of the fixture supply pipe. The volume in the piping shall be determined from Table R403.5.4. The volume contained within fixture shutoff valves, within flexible water supply connectors to a fixture fitting and within a fixture fitting shall not be included in the water volume determination. Where heated water is supplied by a recirculating system or heat-traced piping, the volume shall include the portion of the fitting on the branch pipe that supplies water to the fixture.~~

R403.5.5 Demand responsive water heating Electric storage water heaters with a rated

water storage volume of 40 gallons (150L) to 120 gallons (450L) and a nameplate input rating equal to or less than 12kW shall be provided with demand responsive controls in accordance with Table [R403.5.5](#) ~~R403.5.5 or another equivalent approved standard.~~

Exceptions:

1. Water heaters that are capable of delivering water at a temperature of 180°F (82°C) or greater.
2. Water heaters that comply with Section IV, Part HLW or Section X of the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code.
3. Water heaters that use 3-phase electric power.

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**TABLE R403.5.5
DEMAND RESPONSIVE CONTROLS FOR WATER HEATING**

Equipment Type	Controls	
	Manufactured Before 7/1/2025	Manufactured On or After 7/1/2025
Electric storage water heaters	AHRI Standard 1430-2022 (I-P) or ANSI/CTA-2045-B Level 1 and also capable of initiating water heating to meet the temperature set point in response to a demand response signal.	AHRI Standard 1430-2022 (I-P) ANSI/CTA-2045-B Level 2, except “Price Stream Communication” functionality as defined in the standard.

R403.6 Mechanical ventilation. The *buildings and dwelling units* complying with ~~Section R402.5.1~~ **Section R402.5.1.1** shall be provided with mechanical *ventilation* that complies with the requirements of Section M1505 of the **International Residential Code** or **International Mechanical Code**, as applicable, or with other *approved* means of *ventilation*. Outdoor air intakes and exhausts shall have *automatic* or gravity dampers that close when the *ventilation* system is not operating.

R403.6.1 Heat or energy recovery ventilation. *Dwelling units* shall be provided with a heat recovery or energy recovery *ventilation* system in Climate Zones 6, 7, and 8. The system shall be a balanced *ventilation* system with a sensible recovery efficiency (SRE) of no less than 65 percent at 32°F (0°C) at an airflow greater than or equal to the design airflow. The SRE shall be determined from a listed value or from interpolation of listed values.

R403.6.2 Whole-dwelling mechanical ventilation system fan efficacy. Fans used to provide whole-dwelling mechanical *ventilation* shall meet the efficacy requirements of **Table R403.6.2** at one or more rating points. Fans shall be tested in accordance with the test procedure referenced by Table R403.6.2 and *listed*. The airflow shall be reported in the product listing or on the label. Fan efficacy shall be reported in the product listing or shall be derived from the input power and airflow values reported in the product listing or on the label. Fan efficacy for fully ducted HRV, ERV, balanced, and in-line fans shall be determined at a static pressure of not less than 0.2 inch w.c. (49.85 Pa). Fan efficacy for ducted range hoods, bathroom and utility room fans shall be determined at a static pressure of not less than 0.1 inch w.c. (24.91 Pa).

**TABLE R403.6.2
WHOLE-DWELLING MECHANICAL VENTILATION SYSTEM FAN EFFICACY^a**

SYSTEM TYPE	AIRFLOW RATE (CFM)	MINIMUM EFFICACY (CFM/WATT)	TEST PROCEDURE
HRV or ERV	Any	1.2 ^a	CAN/CSA C439
HRV, ERV, or balanced <i>Balanced ventilation system without heat or energy recovery</i>	Any	1.2 ^a	HRV or ERV: CAN/CSA 439; Balanced without heat or energy recovery: ASHRAE Standard 51 (ANSI/AMCA Standard 210) <i>ASHRAE 51 (ANSI/AMCA Standard 210)</i>
Range hood	Any	2.8	
In-line supply or exhaust fan	Any	3.8	
Other exhaust fan	< 90	2.8	
	≥ 90 and < 200	3.5	
	≥ 200	4.0	
Air handler <i>Air-handling unit</i> that is integrated to tested and <i>listed</i> HVAC equipment	Any	1.2	Outdoor airflow as specified. Air handler <i>Air-handling unit</i> fan power determined in accordance with the HVAC appliance's applicable US Department of Energy Code of Federal Regulations DOE10 CFR 430, or other approved test method referenced by Section C403.3.2 of the IECC Commercial Provisions.

For SI: 1 cubic foot per minute = 0.47 L/s.

- a. ~~Design outdoor airflow rate/watts of fan used.~~ *For balanced systems, HRVs, and ERVs, determine the efficacy as the outdoor airflow divided by the total fan power.*

R403.6.3 Testing. Mechanical *ventilation* systems shall be tested and verified to provide the minimum *ventilation* flow rates required by **Section R403.6**, in accordance with ANSI/RESNET/ICC 380. Where required by the *code official*, testing shall be conducted by an *approved* third party. A written report of the results of the test shall be signed by the party conducting the test and provided to the *code official*.

Exceptions:

1. Kitchen range hoods that are ducted to the outside with 6-inch (152 mm) or larger , a length of 10ft (3048 mm) or less, and not more than two 90° elbows or equivalent shall not require testing.
2. A third-party test shall not be required where the *ventilation* system has an integrated diagnostic tool used for airflow measurement, ~~programmable airflow settings~~, and a user interface that communicates the installed airflow rate.
3. *Where tested in accordance with Section R403.6.4, testing of each mechanical ventilation system is not required.*

R403.6.4 Dwelling unit sampling. For *buildings* with eight or more *dwelling units* the mechanical *ventilation* systems in seven, or 20 percent of the *dwelling units*, whichever is greater shall be tested., Tested systems shall include a systems in a top floor unit, systems in a ground floor unit, systems in a middle floor unit, and the systems in the *dwelling unit* with the largest *conditioned floor area*. Where *buildings* have fewer than eight *dwelling units*, the mechanical *ventilation* systems in each unit shall be tested. Where the *ventilation* flow rate of a mechanical *ventilation* system is less than the minimum permitted rate, corrective actions shall be taken and the system retested until it passes. For each tested *dwelling unit* system with a *ventilation* flow rate lower than the minimum permitted three additional systems, including the corrected system, shall be tested.

R403.6.5 Intermittent exhaust control for bathrooms and toilet rooms. Where an exhaust system serving a bathroom or toilet room is designed for intermittent operation, the exhaust system controls shall include one or more of the following:

1. A timer control with one or more delay setpoints that automatically turns off exhaust fans when the selected setpoint is reached. Not fewer than one delay-off setpoint shall be 30 minutes or less.
2. An *occupant sensor control* with one or more delay setpoints that automatically turns off exhaust fans in accordance with the selected delay setpoint after all occupants have vacated the space. Not fewer than one delay-off setpoint shall be 30 minutes or less.
3. A humidity control with an adjustable setpoint ranging between 50 percent or more and 80 percent or less relative humidity that automatically turns off exhaust fans when the selected setpoint is reached.
4. A contaminant control that responds to a particle or gaseous concentration and automatically turns off exhaust fans when a design setpoint is reached.

Manual-off functionality shall not be used in lieu of the minimum setpoint functionality required by this section.

Exception: Bathroom and toilet room exhaust systems serving as an integral component of an outdoor air *ventilation* system or a whole-house mechanical *ventilation* system.

R403.7 Equipment sizing and efficiency rating. Heating and cooling *equipment* shall be sized in accordance with ACCA Manual S based on *building* loads calculated in accordance with ACCA Manual J or other *approved* heating and cooling calculation methodologies. New or replacement heating and cooling *equipment* shall have an efficiency rating equal to or greater than the minimum required by federal law for the geographic location where the *equipment* is installed.

R403.7.1 Electric-resistance ~~space heating zone heated units.~~ All ~~detached~~ **Detached** one- and two-family dwellings and townhouses in Climate Zones 4-8 ~~through 8~~ using electric-resistance ~~zonal~~ **space heating** shall limit the total installed heating capacity of all electric-resistance **space heating** serving the *dwelling unit* to no more than 2.0 kW, or shall install a heat pump in the largest space that is not used as a bedroom as the primary heat source shall install one additional heating unit in the largest living zone. The additional unit shall have an HSPF greater than 7.4 (6.3 HSPF2). Building permit drawings shall specify the heating equipment type and location of the heating system.

Exceptions:

1. Total installed heating capacity of 2 kW per dwelling or less.
2. Dwellings that have central ducted or ductless cooling or heating systems

R403.8 Systems serving multiple dwelling units. Except for systems complying with Section R403.9, systems serving multiple *dwelling units* shall comply with Sections C403 and C404 of the *International Energy Conservation Code*—Commercial Provisions instead of **Section R403**.

R403.9 Mechanical systems located outside of the *building* thermal envelope Mechanical systems providing heat outside of the thermal envelope of a *building* shall comply with Sections R403.9.1 through R403.9.4.

R403.9.1 Heating outside a building Systems installed to provide heat outside a *building* shall be radiant systems. Such heating systems shall be controlled by an occupancy sensing device or a timer switch, so that the system is automatically de-energized when occupants are not present.

~~R403.9~~**R403.9.2 Snow melt and ice system controls.** Snow- and ice-melting systems, supplied through energy service to the *building*, shall include *automatic* controls capable of shutting off the system when the pavement temperature is greater than 50°F (10°C) and precipitation is not falling, and an *automatic* or *manual* control that will allow shutoff when the outdoor temperature is greater than 40°F (4.8°C).

~~R403.10~~**R403.9.3 Roof and gutter deicing controls** Roof and gutter deicing systems, including but not limited to self-regulating cable, shall include *automatic* controls that are configured to shut off the system when the outdoor temperature is above 40°F (4.4°C) ~~maximum~~ and shall include one of the following:

1. A moisture sensor configured to shut off the system in the absence of moisture, or
2. A programmable timer configured to shut off the system for 8 hours minimum at night. A daylight sensor or other means configured to shut off the system between sunset and sunrise.

R403.9.4 Freeze protection system controls Freeze protection systems, such as heat tracing of outdoor piping and heat exchangers, including self-regulating heat tracing, shall include *automatic* controls configured to shut off the systems when outdoor air temperatures are above 40°F (4.8°C) or when the conditions of the protected fluid will prevent freezing.

~~R403.11~~**R403.10 Energy consumption of pools and spas.** The energy consumption of pools and permanent spas shall be controlled by the requirements in **Sections R403.10.1** through **R403.10.3**.

~~R403.11.1~~**R403.10.1 Heaters.** The electric power to heaters shall be controlled by an on-off switch that is an integral part of the heater mounted on the exterior of the heater in a location with *ready access*, or external to and within 3 feet (914 mm) of the heater. Operation of such switch shall not change the setting of the heater *thermostat*. Such switches shall be in addition to a circuit breaker for the power to the heater. Gas-fired heaters shall not be equipped with continuously burning ignition pilots.

~~R403.11.2~~**R403.10.2 Time switches.** Time switches or other control methods that can automatically turn heaters and pump motors off and on according to a preset schedule shall be installed for heaters and pump motors. Heaters and pump motors that have built-in time switches shall be in compliance with this section.

Exceptions:

1. Where public health standards require 24-hour pump operation.
2. Pumps that operate ~~solar~~ *on-site renewable energy* and waste-heat-recovery pool heating systems.

~~R403.11.3~~**R403.10.3 Covers.** Outdoor heated pools and outdoor permanent spas shall be provided with a vapor-retardant cover or other *approved* vapor-retardant means.

Exception: Where more than 75 percent of the energy for heating, computed over an operation season of not fewer than 3 calendar months, is from a heat pump or an *on-site renewable energy* system, covers or other vapor-retardant means shall not be required.

~~R403.12~~**R403.11 Portable spas.** The energy consumption of electric-powered portable spas shall be controlled by the requirements of **APSP 14**.

~~R403.13~~**R403.12 Residential pools and permanent residential spas.** Where installed, the energy consumption of residential swimming pools and permanent residential spas shall be controlled in accordance with the requirements of **APSP 15**.

R403.13 Gas fireplaces. Gas fireplace systems shall not be equipped with a *continuous pilot* and shall be equipped with an *on-demand pilot, intermittent ignition, or interrupted ignition* (as defined by ANSI Z21.20).

Exception: Gas-fired appliances using pilots within a *listed* combustion safety device.

~~R402.5.2.1~~**R403.13.1 Gas fireplace efficiency.** All Vented gas fireplace heaters shall have a fireplace efficiency (FE) rating not less than 50 percent as determined ~~rated to CSA/ANSI Z21.88~~ ~~CSA 2.33~~ shall be *listed and labeled* with a fireplace efficiency (FE) rating of 50 percent or greater in accordance with CSA P.4.1, and shall be *listed and labeled* in accordance with CSA/ANSI Z21.88-~~CSA 2.33~~. Vented gas fireplaces (decorative appliances) shall be *listed and labeled* in accordance with ~~certified to CSA/ANSI Z21.50~~ ~~CSA 2.22~~ shall be *listed and labeled*, including their FE ratings, in accordance with CSA P.4.1.

SECTION R404

ELECTRICAL POWER, LIGHTING, AND RENEWABLE ENERGY SYSTEMS

R404.1 Lighting equipment. All permanently installed luminaires shall be capable of operation with an efficacy of not less than 45 lumens per watt or shall contain lamps capable of operation ~~at~~ *with an efficacy of not less than* 65 lumens per watt ~~or greater~~.

Exceptions:

1. ~~Kitchen appliance lighting~~. *Appliance lamps*
2. Antimicrobial lighting used for the sole purpose of disinfecting.
3. *General service lamps complying with DOE 10 CFR 430.32.*
4. Luminaires with a rated electric input of not greater than 3.0 watts.

**TABLE R404.1
LIGHTING POWER ALLOWANCES FOR BUILDING EXTERIORS**

Base site allowance	400280 watts
Uncovered parking areas and drives	0.40.026 W/ft ²
Building Grounds	
Walkways and ramps less than 10 feet wide	0.50 W/linear foot
Walkways and ramps 10 feet wide or greater, plaza areas, special feature areas	0.100.049 W/ft ²
Dining areas	0.650.273 W/ft ²
Stairways	Exempt0.70 W/ft ²
Pedestrian tunnels	0.120.110 W/ft ²
Landscaping	0.040.025 W/ft ²
Building Entrances and Exits	
Pedestrian and vehicular entrances and exits	149.8 W/linear foot of opening
Entry canopies	0.250.126 W/ft ²

For SI: 1 watt per square foot = 10.76 w/m², 1 foot = 304.8 mm.

R404.1.1 Exterior lighting. Connected exterior lighting for Group R-2, R-3, and R-4 residential buildings shall comply with Sections R404.1.2 through R404.1.5.

Exceptions:

1. Detached one- and two- family dwellings.
2. Townhouses.
3. Group R-3 buildings that do not contain more than 2 dwelling units
4. Solar-powered lamps not connected to any electrical service.
5. Luminaires controlled by a motion sensor.
6. Lamps and luminaires that comply with **Section R404.1**.

R404.1.2 Exterior lighting power requirements. The total exterior connected lighting power shall be not greater than the exterior lighting power allowance calculated in accordance with Section R404.1.3. The total exterior connected lighting power shall be the total maximum rated wattage of all lighting that is powered through the energy service for the *building*.

Exceptions: Lighting used for the following applications shall not be included.

1. Lighting ~~approved because of~~ for safety reasons considerations.
2. Emergency lighting that is automatically off during normal operations
- ~~2.3.~~ Exit signs.
- ~~3.4.~~ Specialized signal, directional and marker lighting associated with transportation.
5. Lighting for athletic playing areas
- ~~4.6.~~ Temporary lighting.
7. Lighting used to highlight features of art, public monuments and the national flag
- ~~5.8.~~ Lighting for water features and swimming pools.

~~6-9.~~ Lighting controlled from within *sleeping units and dwelling units*.

10. Lighting of the exterior means of egress as required by the *International Building Code*.

R404.1.3 Exterior lighting power allowance. The total area or length of each area type multiplied by the value for the area type in Table R404.1 shall be the lighting power (watts) allowed for each area type. For area types not listed, the area type that most closely represents the proposed use of the area shall be selected. The total exterior lighting power allowance (watts) shall be the sum of the base site allowance plus the watts from each area type.

R404.1.4 Additional exterior lighting power. Additional exterior lighting power allowance shall be available for the *building* facades at 0.075 W/ft² (0.807 w/m²) of gross *above-grade wall* area. This additional power allowances shall be used only for the luminaires serving the facade and shall not be used to increase any other lighting power allowance.

R404.1.5 Gas lighting . Gas-fired lighting appliances shall not be equipped with a *continuous pilot* and shall be equipped with an *on-demand pilot, intermittent ignition, or interrupted ignition* as defined by ANSI Z21.20. ~~continuously burning pilot ignition systems.~~

R404.2 Interior lighting controls. All permanently installed luminaires shall be controlled as required in Sections R404.2.1 and R404.2.2.

Exception: Lighting controls shall not be required for safety or security lighting. ~~fixtures:~~

R404.2.1 Habitable spaces All permanently installed luminaires in habitable spaces shall be controlled with a *manual dimmer* or *with* an *automatic* shut-off control that automatically turns off lights within 20 minutes after all occupants have left the space and shall incorporate a *manual* control to allow occupants to turn the lights on or off.

R404.2.2 Specific locations All permanently installed luminaires in garages, unfinished basements, laundry rooms, and utility rooms shall be controlled by an *automatic shut-off control* that automatically turns off lights within 20 minutes after all occupants have left the space and shall incorporate a *manual* control to allow occupants to turn the lights on or off.

R404.3 Exterior lighting controls ~~Exterior lighting controlled from within individual dwelling units~~ *controls* shall comply with Section R404.3.1. ~~Controls for all other exterior lighting shall comply with Sections C405.2.7 of the International Energy Conservation Code—Commercial Provisions instead of Section R404.3.1.~~

R404.3.1 Controls for individual dwelling units Where the total permanently installed exterior lighting power is greater than 30 watts, the permanently installed exterior lighting shall comply with the following:

1. Lighting shall be controlled by a *manual* on and off switch which permits *automatic* shut-off actions.
2. Lighting shall be automatically shut off when daylight is present and satisfies the lighting needs.
3. Controls that override *automatic* shut-off actions shall not be allowed unless the override automatically returns *automatic* control to its normal operation within 24 hours.

R404.4 Renewable energy certificate (REC) documentation. Where renewable energy

generation is used to comply with this code, the documentation shall be provided to the *code official* by the property owner or owner's authorized agent which demonstrates that where RECs or EACs are associated with that portion of renewable energy used to comply with this code, the RECs or EACs shall be retained, or retired, on behalf of the property owner.

R404.5 Electric readiness. ~~Water heaters, household clothes dryers, conventional cooking tops, conventional ovens, and cooking appliances that use fuel gas or liquid fuel~~ **Water heaters, household clothes dryers, conventional cooking tops, conventional ovens, and cooking appliances that use fuel gas or liquid fuel** Systems using fossil fuel: ~~water heaters, household clothes dryers, conventional cooking tops or conventional ovens~~ shall comply with the requirements of Sections R404.5.1 through R404.5.4.

R404.5.1 Cooking productsappliances. ~~An individual~~ **A dedicated** branch circuit outlet with a rating not less than ~~250~~**240**-volts, 40-amperes shall be installed and terminate within three feet of conventional cooking tops, conventional ovens or cooking ~~products~~ **appliances** combining both.

Exception: Cooking ~~products~~ **appliances** not installed in an individual *dwelling unit*.

R404.5.2 Household Clothes Dryers. ~~An individual~~ **A dedicated** branch circuit outlet with a rating not less than 240-volts, 30-amperes shall be installed and terminate within three feet (304 mm) of each household clothes dryer.

Exception: Clothes dryers ~~that serve more than one dwelling unit and are located outside of a dwelling unit~~ not installed in an individual dwelling unit.

R404.5.3 Water heaters. ~~An individual~~ **A dedicated** branch circuit outlet with a rating not less than either 240-volts, 30-amperes or 120V, 20-amperes shall be installed and terminate within three feet (304 mm) of each ~~fossil fuel~~ water heater.

Exception: Water heaters ~~in a centralized water heating system~~ serving multiple dwelling units in a R-2 occupancy.

R404.5.4 Electrification-ready circuits. The unused conductors required by Sections R404.5.1 through R404.5.3 shall be labeled with the word "spare." Space shall be reserved in the electrical panel in which the branch circuit originates for the installation of an overcurrent device. Capacity for the circuits required by Sections R404.5.1 through R404.5.3 shall be included in the load calculations of the original installation.

R404.6 Renewable energy infrastructure. The *building* shall comply with the requirements of R404.6.1 or R404.6.2.

R404.6.1 One- and two- family dwellings and townhouses. One- and two-family dwellings and townhouses shall comply with Sections R404.6.1.1 through R404.6.1.4.

Exceptions:

1. A *dwelling unit* with a permanently installed *on-site renewable energy* system.
2. A *dwelling unit* with a *solar-ready zone* area that is less than 500 square feet (46 m²) of roof area oriented between 110 degrees and 270 degrees of true north.
3. A *dwelling unit* with less than 500 square feet (46m²) of roof area oriented between 110 degrees and 270 degrees of true north.
4. Dwelling units where 50 percent of the *solar-ready zone* area is shaded from direct-beam sunlight by natural objects or by structures that are not part of the *building* for more than 2500 annual hours between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.
5. A *dwelling unit* that complies with Appendix RC.

6. A *dwelling unit* with a renewable energy power purchase agreement with a duration of not less than 15 years from a utility or a community renewable energy facility and for not less than 80 percent of the estimated *dwelling unit whole-building* electric use on an annual basis.
7. A *dwelling unit* with less than or equal to 1,500 square feet (139 m²) of *living space floor area* located above *grade plane*.

R404.6.1.1 Solar-ready zone area. The total area of the *solar-ready zone* shall not be less than 250 square feet (23.2 m²) and shall be composed of areas not less than 5.5 feet (1676 mm) in one direction and not less than 80 square feet (7.4 m²) exclusive of access or set back areas as required by the *International Residential Code*.

Exception: Dwelling units in townhouses three stories or less in height above *grade plane* and with a total floor area less than or equal to 2,000 square feet (186 m²) per dwelling shall be permitted to have a *solar-ready zone* area of not less than 150 square feet (14 m²).

R404.6.1.2 Obstructions. Solar-ready zones shall be free from obstructions, including but not limited to vents, chimneys, and roof-mounted equipment.

R404.6.1.3 Electrical service reserved space. The main electrical service panel shall have a reserved space for a dual pole circuit breaker and shall be labeled "For Future *Solar Renewable* Electric." The reserved space shall be at the opposite (load) end of the busbar from the primary energy source.

R404.6.1.4 Electrical interconnection. An electrical junction box shall be installed within 24 inches (610 mm) of the main electrical service panel and shall be connected to a capped roof penetration sleeve or a location in the attic that is within 3 feet (914 mm) of the *solar-ready zone* by a ~~minimum~~ *not less than* 1 inch (25 mm) nonflexible metallic conduit or permanently installed wire as *approved* ~~by the code official~~. Where the interconnection terminates in the attic, *the* location shall be ~~not~~ *not* less than 12 inches (35 mm) above ceiling insulation. Both ends of the interconnection shall be labeled "For Future *Solar Renewable* Electric".

R404.6.2 Group R occupancies. *Residential buildings other than one- and two-family dwellings and townhouses* Buildings in Group R-2, R-3 and R-4 shall comply with Sections R404.6.2.1 through R404.6.2.8 ~~Appendix CB~~.

R404.6.2.1 General A *solar-ready zone* shall be located on the roof of residential buildings that are oriented between 110 degrees and 270 degrees of true north or have *low slope* roofs. *Solar-ready zones* shall comply with Sections R404.6.2.2 through R404.6.2.8.

Exceptions:

1. A *building* with a permanently installed *on-site renewable energy* system.
2. A *building* with a *solar-ready zone* area that is shaded for more than 70 percent of daylight hours annually.
3. A *building* where an *approved* party certifies that the incident solar radiation available to the *building* is not suitable for a *solar-ready zone*.
4. A *building* where an *approved* party certifies that the *solar-ready zone* area required by Section R404.6.2.3 cannot be met because of rooftop equipment, skylights, vegetative roof areas or other obstructions.
5. A *building* that complies with Appendix RC.

6. A building with a renewable energy power purchase agreement with a duration of not less than 15 years from a utility or a community renewable energy facility and for not less than 80 percent of the estimated electric use of the residential occupancy portion of the building on an annual basis.

R404.6.2.2 Construction document requirements for a solar-ready zone.

Construction documents shall indicate the solar-ready zone.

R404.6.2.3 Solar-ready zone area. The total *solar-ready zone* area shall be not less than 40 percent of the roof area calculated as the horizontally projected gross roof area less the area covered by penthouses, mechanical equipment, rooftop structures, skylights, occupied roof decks, vegetative roof areas and mandatory access or set back areas as required by the *International Fire Code*. The *solar-ready zone* shall be a single area or smaller, separated sub-zone areas. Each sub-zone shall be not less than 5 feet (1524 mm) in width in the narrowest dimension.

R404.6.2.4 Obstructions. *Solar-ready zones* shall be free from obstructions, including pipes, vents, ducts, HVAC equipment, skylights and roof-mounted equipment.

R404.6.2.5 Roof loads and documentation. A collateral dead load of not less than 5 pounds per square foot (5 psf) (24.41 kg/m²) shall be included in the gravity and lateral design calculations for the *solar-ready zone*. The structural design loads for roof dead load and roof live load shall be indicated on the *construction documents*.

R404.6.2.6 Interconnection pathway. *Construction documents* shall indicate pathways for routing of conduit or plumbing from the *solar-ready zone* to the electrical service panel or service hot water system.

R404.6.2.7 Electrical service reserved space. The main electrical service panel shall have a reserved space to allow installation of a dual-pole circuit breaker for future solar electric and shall be labeled "For Future Renewable Electric." The reserved spaces shall be positioned at the end of the panel that is opposite from the panel supply conductor connection.

R404.6.2.8 Construction documentation certificate. A permanent certificate, indicating the *solar-ready zone* and other requirements of this section, shall be posted near the electrical distribution panel, water heater or other conspicuous location.

R404.7 Electric Vehicle Power Transfer Infrastructure. ~~New automobile parking spaces for one and two family dwellings and townhouses shall be provided in accordance with Sections R404.7.1 through R404.7.5.~~ New residential automobile parking spaces for R-2 occupancies **residential buildings** shall be provided with electric vehicle power transfer infrastructure in accordance with Sections R404.7.1 through R404.7.5.

R404.7.1 Quantity. New one- and two-family dwellings and townhouses with a designated attached or detached garage or other onsite private parking provided adjacent to the *dwelling unit* shall be provided with one *EV-capable*, *EV-ready*, or *EVSE installed* space per *dwelling unit*. R-2 occupancies or allocated parking for R-2 occupancies in mixed-use buildings shall be provided with an *EV capable space*, *EV ready space*, or *EVSE space* for 40 percent of each *dwelling units* or *automobile parking spaces*, whichever is less.

Exceptions:

1. Where the local electric distribution entity has certified in writing that it is not able to provide 100 percent of the necessary distribution capacity within 2 years after the estimated date of the certificate of occupancy. The required EV charging infrastructure shall be reduced based on the available existing electric distribution capacity.
2. Where substantiation has been *approved* that meeting the requirements of Section R404.7.5 will alter the local utility infrastructure design requirements on the utility side of the meter so as to increase the utility side cost to the builder or developer by more than \$450.00 per *dwelling unit*.

R404.7.2 EV Capable Spaces. Each *EV capable space* used to meet the requirements of Section R404.7.1 shall comply with all of the following:

1. A continuous raceway or cable assembly shall be installed between an enclosure or outlet located within ≥ 6 feet (914 1828mm) of the *EV capable space* and a suitable panelboard or other onsite electrical distribution equipment.
2. Installed raceway or cable assembly shall be sized and rated to supply a minimum circuit capacity in accordance with R404.7.4 **Section R404.7.5**.
3. The electrical distribution equipment to which the raceway or cable assembly connects shall have sufficient dedicated space and spare electrical capacity for a 2-pole circuit breaker or set of fuses.
4. The electrical enclosure or outlet and the electrical distribution equipment directory shall be marked: "For future electric vehicle supply equipment (EVSE)."

R404.7.3 EV Ready Spaces. Each branch circuit serving *EV ready spaces* shall comply with all of the following:

1. Terminate at an outlet or enclosure, located within ≥ 6 feet (914 1828 mm) of each *EV ready space* it serves and marked "For electric vehicle supply equipment (EVSE)".
2. ~~Have~~ **Be served by an** a minimum electrical distribution system and circuit capacity in accordance with R404.7.4. **Section R404.7.5**.
3. ~~Be designated on the~~ The panelboard or other electrical distribution equipment directory shall designate the branch circuit as "For electric vehicle supply equipment (EVSE)" and the outlet or enclosure shall be marked "For electric vehicle supply equipment (EVSE)."

~~R404.7.4.1~~**R404.7.4 Circuit capacity management.EVSE spaces.** The capacity of each branch circuit serving multiple EVSE spaces, EV ready space or EV capable spaces designed to be controlled by an energy management system providing load management in accordance with NFPA 70, shall have a capacity of not less than 2.7 kVA per space.**An installed EVSE with multiple output connections shall be permitted to serve multiple EVSE spaces. Each EVSE serving either a single EVSE space or multiple EVSE spaces shall comply with the following:**

1. Be served by an electrical distribution system in accordance with Section R404.7.5
2. Have a nameplate charging capacity of not less than 6.2 kVA (or 30A at 208/240V) per *EVSE space* served. Where an *EVSE* serves three or more *EVSE spaces* and is controlled by an energy management system in accordance with Section R404.7.5, the nameplate charging capacity shall be not less than 2.1 kVA per *EVSE space* served.
3. Be located within 6 feet (1828 mm) of each *EVSE space* it serves.
4. Be installed in accordance with NFPA 70 and be *listed* and *labeled* in accordance with UL 2202 or UL 2594.

~~R404.7.4~~**R404.7.5 Circuit Capacity.Electrical distribution system capacity.** For one-

and two-family dwellings and townhouses, the capacity of electrical infrastructure ~~The branch circuits and electrical distribution system~~ serving each *EV capable space*, *EV ready space* and *EVSE space* used to comply with Section R404.7.1 shall have a rated capacity not less than 8.3 kVA (or 40A at 208/240V) for each *EV capable space*, *EV ready space* or *EVSE space* it serves. Where a circuit is shared or managed it shall be in accordance with NFPA 70. For R-2 occupancies, the capacity of electrical infrastructure serving each *EV capable space*, *EV ready space* and *EVSE space* shall comply with one of the following:

1. ~~A branch circuit shall have a rated capacity not less than 8.3kVA (or 40A at 208/240V) for each EV capable space, EV ready space or EVSE space it serves.~~ Sized for a calculated EV charging load of not less than 6.2 kVA per *EVSE*, *EV ready*, or *EV capable space*. Where a circuit is shared or managed it shall be in accordance with NFPA 70.
2. ~~The requirements of R404.7.4.1.~~The capacity of the electrical distribution system and each branch circuit serving multiple *EVSE spaces*, *EV ready spaces*, or *EV capable spaces* designed to be controlled by an energy management system in accordance with NFPA 70, shall be sized for a calculated EV charging load of not less than 2.1 kVA per space. Where an energy management system is used to control EV charging loads for the purposes of this section, it shall not be configured to turn off electrical power to *EVSE* or *EV ready spaces* used to comply with Section R404.7.1.

Exceptions:

1. ~~Where the local electric distribution entity has certified in writing that it is not able to provide 100 percent of the necessary distribution capacity within 2 years after the estimated date of the certificate of occupancy. The required EV charging infrastructure shall be reduced based on the available existing electric distribution capacity.~~
2. ~~Where substantiation has been approved that meeting the requirements of Section R404.7.4.1 R404.7.5 will alter the local utility infrastructure design requirements on the utility side of the meter so as to increase the utility side cost to the builder or developer by more than \$400.00 per dwelling unit.~~

~~R404.7.5~~**R404.7.6 EVSE installation.** For one- and two-family dwellings and townhouses, *EVSE* shall be installed in accordance with NFPA 70 and shall be *listed* and *labeled* in accordance with UL 2202 or UL 2594. For R-2 occupancies, *EVSE* shall be installed in accordance with NFPA 70 and Section R404.7.5.1 and shall be *listed* and *labeled* in accordance with UL 2202 and UL 2594.

~~R404.7.5.1~~**R404.7.6.1 EVSE minimum charging rate.** Each installed *EVSE* shall comply with one of the following:

1. ~~Be capable of charging at a rate of not less than 6.2 kVA (or 30A at 208/240V).~~
2. ~~Where serving EVSE spaces allowed to have a circuit capacity of not less than 2.7 kVA in accordance with R404.7.4.1 and controlled by an energy management system providing load management, be capable of simultaneously charging each EVSE space at a rate of not less than 2.1 kVA.~~

SECTION R405 SIMULATED BUILDING PERFORMANCE

R405.1 Scope. This section establishes criteria for compliance using simulated building performance analysis. Such analysis shall include heating, cooling, mechanical *ventilation* and service water-heating energy only. ~~Such analysis shall be limited to dwelling units. Spaces other than dwelling units in Group R-2, R-3, or R-4 buildings shall comply with Sections R402~~

through R404.

R405.2 Simulated building performance compliance. Compliance based on total simulated building performance requires that a *building proposed design* meets all of comply with the following:

1. The requirements of the sections indicated within **Table R405.2**.
2. The proposed total *building thermal envelope thermal conductance TCUA*, which is the sum of the U-factor times assembly area, shall be less than or equal to the **required total building thermal envelope thermal conductance TCUA** using the prescriptive U-factors and F-factors from Table R402.1.2 multiplied by 1.08 in Climate Zones 0, 1, and 2, and 1.15 in Climate Zones 3 through 8 in accordance with Equation 4-2 and Section R402.1.5. The area-weighted maximum *fenestration SHGC* permitted in Climate Zones 0 through 3 shall be 0.30.

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For Climate Zones 0-2: $TCUA_{\text{Proposed design}} \leq 1.08 \times TCUA_{\text{Prescriptive reference design}}$

For Climate Zones 3-8: $TCUA_{\text{Proposed design}} \leq 1.15 \times TCUA_{\text{Prescriptive reference design}}$

3. For buildings without a fuel burning appliance for space heating or water heating, the annual energy cost of the proposed design that is less than or equal to 85 percent of the annual energy cost of the *standard reference design*. For buildings **each dwelling unit** with **one or** more fuel burning appliances for space heating, water heating, or both, the annual energy cost of the *dwelling unit proposed design* that **is shall be** less than or equal to 80 percent of the annual energy cost of the *standard reference design*. **For all other dwelling units, the annual energy cost of the proposed design shall be less than or equal to 85 percent of the annual energy cost of the standard reference design.** For **each dwelling unit** units with greater than 5,000 square feet (465 m²) of *living space floor area* located above *grade plane*, the annual energy cost of the *dwelling unit proposed design* shall be reduced by an additional 5 percent of annual energy cost of the standard reference design. Energy prices shall be taken from **a an approved** source ~~approved by the code official~~, such as the Department of Energy, Energy Information Administration's State Energy Data System Prices and Expenditures reports. Code officials shall be permitted to require time-of-use pricing in energy cost calculations.

Exceptions:

1. The energy use based on source energy expressed in Btu or Btu per square foot of *conditioned floor area* shall be permitted to be substituted for the energy cost. The source energy multiplier for **electricity shall be 2.51. The source energy multiplier for fuels other than electricity shall be 1.09.** ~~all energy sources shall be obtained from ASHRAE Standard 105 (Tables K2, K4, or K8) or from another data source approved by the code official.~~
2. The energy use based on site energy expressed in Btu or Btu per square foot of *conditioned floor area* shall be permitted to be substituted for the energy cost ~~for an all electric building with on-site renewable energy installed.~~

**TABLE R405.2
REQUIREMENTS FOR SIMULATED BUILDING PERFORMANCE**

SECTION ^a	TITLE
General	
R401.2.5	Additional energy efficiency
R401.3	Certificate
Building Thermal Envelope	
R402.1.1	Vapor retarder
R402.2.3	Attic knee or pony wall
R402.2.4	Eave baffle
R402.2.5.1	Access hatches and doors
R402.2.9	Basement walls
R402.2.9.1	Basement wall insulation installation
R402.2.10.4	Slab-on-grade floors floor insulation installation
R402.2.11.1 R402.2.11	Crawl space walls wall insulation installations
R402.5.1.1	Installation
R402.5.1.2	Testing Air leakage testing
R402.5.1.3	Maximum air leakage rate
R402.5.2	Fireplaces
R402.5.3	Fenestration air leakage
R402.5.4 R402.1.6	Rooms containing fuel burning appliances
R402.5.5	Recessed lighting
R402.5.6	Air-sealed electrical and communication outlet boxes
R402.6	Maximum fenestration <i>U</i> -factor and SHGC
Mechanical	
R403.1	Controls
R403.2	Hot water boiler temperature reset
R403.3	Duct systems
R403.4	Mechanical system piping insulation
R403.5 except Section R403.5.2	Service hot water system
R403.5.2	Hot water pipe insulation
R403.6	Mechanical ventilation
R403.7, except Section R403.7.1	Equipment sizing and efficiency rating
R403.8	Systems serving multiple dwelling units
R403.15	Snow melt and ice system controls

R403.10	Energy consumption of pools and spas
R403.11	Portable spas
R403.12	Residential pools and permanent residential spas
R403.14	Gas fireplaces
Electrical Power and Lighting Systems	
R404.1	Lighting equipment
R404.2	Interior lighting controls
R404.5	Electric readiness
R404.6	Renewable energy infrastructure
R404.7	Electric Vehicle power transfer infrastructure

a. Reference to a code section includes all the relative subsections except as indicated in the table.

~~R405.3 Documentation.~~ **Compliance documentation** Documentation of the software used for the proposed design and the parameters for the baseline *building* shall be in accordance with **Sections R405.3.1 through R405.3.2.2.** The following compliance reports, which document that the performance of the *proposed design* complies with the requirements of Section R405, shall be submitted to the *code official*.

1. A compliance report, in accordance with Section R405.5.4.1, shall be submitted with the application for the *building* permit.
2. Upon completion of the *building*, a confirmed compliance report, in accordance with Section R405.5.4.2, based on the confirmed condition of the *building* shall be submitted to the *code official* before a certificate of occupancy is issued.

~~R405.3.1 Compliance software tools.~~ - Documentation verifying that the methods and accuracy of the compliance software tools conform to the provisions of this section shall be provided to the *code official*.

~~R405.3.2 Compliance report.~~ - Compliance software tools shall generate a report that documents that the *proposed design* complies with **Section R405.3**. A compliance report on the *proposed design* shall be submitted with the application for the building permit. Upon completion of the building, a confirmed compliance report based on the confirmed condition of the building shall be submitted to the *code official* before a certificate of occupancy is issued.

Compliance reports shall include information in accordance with **Sections R405.3.2.1 and R405.3.2.2.**

~~R405.3.2.1 Compliance report for permit application.~~ - A compliance report submitted with the application for *building* permit shall include the following:

1. *Building* street address, or other *building site* identification.
2. The name of the individual performing the analysis and generating the compliance report.
3. The name and version of the compliance software tool.
4. Documentation of all inputs entered into the software used to produce the results for the reference design and/or the rated home.

5. A certificate indicating that the *proposed design* complies with **Section R405.3**. The certificate shall document the building components' energy specifications that are included in the calculation including: component level insulation *R* values or *U* factors; duct system and building *thermal envelope* air leakage testing assumptions; and the type and rated efficiencies of proposed heating, cooling, mechanical ventilation and service water heating equipment to be installed. If *on-site renewable energy* systems will be installed, the certificate shall report the type and production size of the proposed system.
6. Where a site specific report is not generated, the *proposed design* shall be based on the worst case orientation and configuration of the rated home.

R405.3.2.2 Compliance report for certificate of occupancy. – A compliance report submitted for obtaining the certificate of occupancy shall include the following:

1. *Building* street address, or other *building* site identification.
2. Declaration of the simulated building performance path on the title page of the energy report and the title page of the *building* plans.
3. A statement, bearing the name of the individual performing the analysis and generating the report, indicating that the as-built *building* complies with **Section R405.3**.
4. The name and version of the compliance software tool.
5. A site specific *energy analysis* report that is in compliance with **Section R405.3**.
6. A final confirmed certificate indicating compliance based on inspection, and a statement indicating that the confirmed *rated design* of the built home complies with **Section R405.3**. The certificate shall report the energy features that were confirmed to be in the home, including component level insulation *R* values or *U* factors; results from any required duct system and building *thermal envelope* air leakage testing; and the type and rated efficiencies of the heating, cooling, mechanical ventilation and service water heating equipment installed.
7. When *on-site renewable energy* systems have been installed, the certificate shall report the type and production size of the installed system.

R405.4 Calculation procedure. Calculations **Performance calculations** of the proposed design shall be in accordance with **Sections R405.4.1**, and **R405.4.2**, and **R405.4.3**. Except as specified by this section, the *standard reference design* and *proposed design* shall be configured and analyzed using identical methods and techniques..

R405.4.1 General. Except as specified by this section, the *standard reference design* and *proposed design* shall be configured and analyzed using identical methods and techniques. **Calculation procedures** used to comply with **Section R405** shall use an *approved* software tool, in accordance with **Section R405.5**, capable of calculating the annual energy consumption of all *building* elements that differ between the *standard reference design* and the *proposed design*.

R405.4.2 Residence specifications. The *standard reference design*, and *proposed design*, and *as-built dwelling unit* shall be configured and analyzed as specified by **Table R405.4.2(1)**. **Table R405.4.2(1)** shall include, by reference, all notes contained in ~~**Table R402.1.3**~~ **Table R402.1.2**. Proposed *U*-factors and slab-on-grade *F*-factors shall be taken from ANSI/ASHRAE/IES Standard 90.1 Appendix A or determined using a method consistent with the ASHRAE Handbook of Fundamentals and shall include the thermal bridging effects of framing materials.

TABLE R405.4.2(1)
SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE STANDARD REFERENCE AND PROPOSED DESIGNS

BUILDING COMPONENT	STANDARD REFERENCE DESIGN	PROPOSED DESIGN
Above-grade walls	Type: mass where the proposed wall is a mass wall; otherwise wood frame.	As proposed
	Gross area: same as proposed.	As proposed
	<i>U</i> -factor: as specified in Table R402.1.2 .	As proposed
	Solar absorptance reflectance = 0.750.25.	As proposed
	Emittance = 0.90.	As proposed
Basement and crawl space walls	Type: same as proposed.	As proposed
	Gross area: same as proposed.	As proposed
	<i>U</i> -factor: as specified in Table R402.1.2 , with the insulation layer on the interior side of the walls.	As proposed
Above-grade floors	Type: wood frame.	As proposed
	Gross area: same as proposed.	As proposed
	<i>U</i> -factor: as specified in Table R402.1.2 .	As proposed
Ceilings	Type: wood frame.	As proposed
	Gross area: same as proposed.	As proposed
	<i>U</i> -factor: as specified in Table R402.1.2 .	As proposed
Roofs	Type: composition shingle on wood sheathing.	As proposed
	Gross area: same as proposed.	As proposed
	Solar absorptance reflectance = 0.750.25.	As proposed
	Emittance = 0.90.	As proposed
Attics	Type: vented with an aperture of 1 ft ² per 300 ft ² of ceiling area.	As proposed
Foundations	Type: same as proposed.	As proposed
	Foundation wall or slab extension above grade: 1 foot (30 cm) Foundation wall or slab extension below grade: same as proposed Foundation wall or slab perimeter length: same as proposed Soil characteristics: same as proposed.	As proposed
	Foundation wall <i>U</i> -factor or slab and slab-on-grade <i>F</i> -factor: as specified in Table R402.1.2	
Opaque doors	Area: 40 ft ² .	As proposed
	Orientation: North.	As proposed
	<i>U</i> -factor: same as fenestration as specified in Table R402.1.2 .	As proposed

Vertical fenestration other than opaque doors	Total area ^h = (a) The proposed glazing area, where the proposed glazing area is less than 15 percent of the conditioned floor area. (b) 15 percent of the conditioned floor area, where the proposed glazing area is 15 percent or more of the conditioned floor area.	As proposed
	Orientation: equally distributed to four cardinal compass orientations (N, E, S & W).	As proposed
	U-factor: as specified in Table R402.1.2 .	As proposed
	SHGC: as specified in Table R402.1.2 except for climate zones without an SHGC requirement, the SHGC shall be equal to 0.40.	As proposed
	Interior shade fraction: $0.92 - (0.21 \times \text{SHGC for the standard reference design})$.	Interior shade fraction: $0.92 - (0.21 \times \text{SHGC as proposed})$
	External shading: none	As proposed
Skylights	None	As proposed
Thermally isolated sunrooms	None	As proposed
Air exchange leakage rate	<i>For detached one-family dwellings, the air leakage rate at a pressure of 0.2 inch water gauge w.g. (50 Pa) shall be Climate Zones 0 through 2: 4.0 air changes per hour. Climate Zones 3, 4, and 5: 3.0 air changes per hour. Climate Zones 6 through 8: 2.5 air changes per hour. For detached one-family dwellings that are 1,500 ft² (139.4 m²) or smaller and attached dwelling units, the air leakage rate at a pressure of 0.2 inch water gauge (50 Pa) shall be 0.27 cfm/ft² of the dwelling unit enclosure area.</i>	The measured air leakage exchange rate. ^a
Mechanical ventilation rate		-

	<p>The mechanical ventilation rate shall be in addition to the air leakage rate and shall be the same as in the proposed design, but not greater than $B \times M$ where:</p> <p>$B = 0.01 \times CFA + 7.5 \times (N_{br} + 1)$, cfm. $M = 1.0$ where the measured air leakage exchange rate is ≥ 3.0 air changes per hour at 50 Pascals, and otherwise, $M = \text{minimum}(1.7, Q/B)$ Q = the proposed mechanical ventilation rate, cfm. CFA = conditioned floor area, ft².</p> <p>N_{br} = number of bedrooms.</p> <p>The mechanical ventilation system type shall be the same as in the proposed design. Heat recovery or energy recovery shall be modeled for mechanical ventilation where required by Section R403.6.1. Heat recovery or energy recovery shall not be modeled for mechanical ventilation where not required by Section R403.6.1.</p>	<p>The measured mechanical ventilation rate^b, Q, shall be in addition to the measured air leakage rate and shall be as proposed.</p>
<p>Mechanical ventilation fan energy</p>	<p>The mechanical ventilation system type shall be the same as in the proposed design. Heat recovery or energy recovery shall be modeled for mechanical ventilation where required by Section R403.6.1. Heat recovery or energy recovery shall not be modeled for mechanical ventilation where not required by Section R403.6.1. Where mechanical ventilation is not specified in the proposed design: None Where mechanical ventilation is specified in the proposed design, the annual vent fan energy use, in units of kWh/yr, shall equal $(8.76 \times B \times M)/e_f$ where:</p> <p>B and M are determined in accordance with the Air Exchange Mechanical Ventilation Rate row of this table.</p> <p>e_f = the minimum fan efficacy, as specified in Table 403.6.2, corresponding to the system type at a flow rate of $B \times M$.</p> <p>CFA = conditioned floor area, ft². N_{br} = number of bedrooms.</p>	<p>As proposed</p>
<p>Internal gains</p>	<p>IGain, in units of Btu/day per dwelling unit, shall equal $17,900 + 23.8 \times CFA + 4,104 \times N_{br}$ where:</p> <p>CFA = conditioned floor area, ft². N_{br} = number of bedrooms.</p>	<p>Same as standard reference design.</p>

Internal mass	Internal mass for furniture and contents: 8 pounds per square foot of floor area.	Same as <i>standard reference design</i> , plus any additional mass specifically designed as a thermal storage element ^c but not integral to the <i>building thermal envelope</i> or structure.		
Structural mass	For masonry floor slabs: 80 percent of floor area covered by R-2 carpet and pad, and 20 percent of floor directly exposed to room air.	As proposed		
	For masonry basement walls: as proposed, but with insulation as specified in Table R402.1.3 , located on the interior side of the walls.	As proposed		
	For other walls, ceilings, floors, and interior walls: wood frame construction.	As proposed		
Heating systems ^{d, e, j, k}	Fuel Type/Capacity: Same as proposed design	As proposed		
	Product class: Same as proposed design	As proposed		
	Efficiencies:	As proposed		
	Heat pump: Complying with 10 CFR §430.32	As proposed		
	Non-electric Natural gas, propane and fuel oil <i>Fuel gas and liquid fuel</i> furnaces: Complying with 10 CFR §430.32	As proposed		
	Non-electric Natural gas, propane and fuel oil <i>Fuel gas and liquid fuel</i> boilers: Complying with 10 CFR §430.32	As proposed		
Cooling systems ^{d, f, k}	Fuel Type: Electric Capacity: Same as proposed design	As proposed		
	Efficiencies: Complying with 10 CFR §430.32	As proposed		
Service water heating ^{d, g, k}	Use, in units of gal/day = $25.5 + (8.5 \times N_{br})$ where: N_{br} = number of bedrooms.	Use, in units of gal/day = $25.5 + (8.5 \times N_{br}) \times (1 - HWDS)$ where: N_{br} = number of bedrooms. $HWDS$ = factor for the compactness of the hot water distribution system.		
		Compactness ratioⁱ factor	HWDS	
		1 story	2 or more stories	

		> 60%	> 30%	0
		> 30% to ≤ 60%	> 15% to ≤ 30%	0.05
		> 15% to ≤ 30%	> 7.5% to ≤ 15%	0.10
		< 15%	< 7.5%	0.15
	Fuel Type: Same as <i>proposed design</i>	As proposed		
	Rated Storage Volume: Same as <i>proposed design</i>	As proposed		
	Draw Pattern: Same as <i>proposed design</i>	As proposed		
	Efficiencies: Uniform Energy Factor complying with 10 CFR §430.32	As proposed		
	Tank Temperature: 120° F (48.9° C)	Same as <i>standard reference design</i>		
Thermal distribution systems	Duct location:			
	Foundation Type	Slab on grade	Unconditioned crawl space	Basement or conditioned crawl space
	Duct location (supply and return)	One-story building: 100% in unconditioned attic All other: 75% in unconditioned attic and 25% inside <i>conditioned space</i>	One-story building: 100% in unconditioned crawlspace All other: 75% in unconditioned crawlspace and 25% inside <i>conditioned space</i>	75% inside conditioned space 25% unconditioned attic
	Duct insulation: in accordance with Section R403.3.1.			
				Duct location: as proposed ¹ . Duct insulation: as proposed ^m .

	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Duct system leakage to outside:</i> For <i>duct systems</i> serving > 1,000ft² (92.9 m²) of conditioned floor area, the duct leakage to outside rate shall be 4 cfm (113.3 L/min) per 100 ft² (9.29 m²) of conditioned floor area. For <i>duct systems</i> serving ≤ 1,000ft² (92.9 m²) of conditioned floor area, the duct leakage to outside rate shall be 40 cfm (1132.7 L/min).</p>	<p>Duct System Leakage to Outside: The measured total duct system leakage rate shall be entered into the software as the duct system leakage to outside rate.</p> <p>Exceptions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. When Where <i>duct system leakage to outside is tested in accordance ANSI/ RESNET/ ICC 380 or ASTM E1554,</i> the measured value shall be permitted to be entered. 2. When Where <i>total duct system leakage is measured without the space conditioning equipment air handler installed,</i> the simulation value shall be 4 cfm (113.3 L/min) per 100 ft² (9.29 m²) of conditioned floor area.
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	Distribution System Efficiency (DSE): For hydronic systems and ductless systems a thermal distribution system efficiency (DSE) of 0.88 shall be applied to both the heating and cooling system efficiencies.	Distribution System Efficiency (DSE): For hydronic systems and ductless systems, DSE shall be as specified in Table R405.4.2(2) .
Thermostat	Type: Manual, cooling temperature setpoint = 75°F; Heating temperature setpoint = 72°F.	Same as <i>standard reference design</i> .
Dehumidistat	Where a mechanical ventilation system with latent heat recovery is not specified in the proposed design: None. Where the proposed design utilizes a mechanical ventilation system with latent heat recovery: Dehumidistat type: manual, setpoint = 60% relative humidity. Dehumidifier: whole-dwelling with integrated energy factor = 1.77 liters/kWh.	Same as <i>standard reference design</i> .

For SI: 1 square foot = 0.93 m², 1 British thermal unit = 1055 J, 1 pound per square foot = 4.88 kg/m², 1 gallon (US) = 3.785 L, °C = (°F-32)/1.8, 1 degree = 0.79 rad.

- a. ~~Where required by the code official, testing shall be conducted by an approved party.~~ Hourly calculations as specified in the ASHRAE *Handbook of Fundamentals*, or the equivalent, shall be used to determine the energy loads resulting from infiltration.
- b. The combined air exchange rate for infiltration and mechanical ventilation shall be determined in accordance with Equation 43 of 2001 ASHRAE *Handbook of Fundamentals*, page 26.24 and the “Whole-house Ventilation” provisions of 2001 ASHRAE *Handbook of Fundamentals*, page 26.19 for intermittent mechanical ventilation.
- c. Thermal storage element shall mean a component that is not part of the floors, walls or ceilings that is part of a passive solar system, and that provides thermal storage such as enclosed water columns, rock beds, or phase-change containers. A thermal storage element shall be in the same room as fenestration that faces within 15 degrees (0.26 rad) of true south, or shall be connected to such a room with pipes or ducts that allow the element to be actively charged.
- d. For a *proposed design* with multiple heating, cooling or water heating systems using different fuel types, the applicable standard reference design system capacities and fuel types shall be weighted in accordance with their respective loads as calculated by accepted engineering practice for each equipment and fuel type present.
- e. For a *proposed design* without a proposed heating system, a heating system having the prevailing federal minimum efficiency shall be assumed for both the *standard reference design* and *proposed design*.
- f. For a *proposed design* ~~home~~ without a proposed cooling system, an electric air conditioner having the prevailing federal minimum efficiency shall be assumed for both the *standard reference design* and the *proposed design*.

- g. For a *proposed design* without a proposed water heater, the following assumptions shall be made for both the proposed design and *standard reference design*. For a *proposed design with a heat pump water heater*, the following assumptions shall be made for the *standard reference design*, except the fuel type shall be electric.

Fuel Type: Same as the predominant heating fuel type

Rated Storage Volume: 40 Gallons

Draw Pattern: Medium

Efficiency: Uniform Energy Factor complying with 10 CFR §430.32 ~~430.32~~

- h. For residences with conditioned basements, R-2 and R-4 residences, and for townhouse units, the following formula shall be used to determine glazing area:

$$AF = A_s \times FA \times F$$

where:

AF = Total glazing area.

A_s = *Standard reference design* total glazing area.

FA = (Above-grade thermal boundary gross wall area)/(above-grade boundary wall area + 0.5 × below-grade boundary wall area).

F = (above-grade thermal boundary wall area)/(above-grade thermal boundary wall area + common wall area) or 0.56, whichever is greater.

and

where:

- Thermal boundary wall is any wall that separates conditioned space from unconditioned space or ambient conditions.
- Above-grade thermal boundary wall is any thermal boundary wall component not in contact with soil.
- Below-grade boundary wall is any thermal boundary wall in soil contact.
- Common wall area is the area of walls shared with an adjoining dwelling unit.

- i. The factor for the compactness of the hot water distribution system is the ratio of the area of the rectangle that bounds the source of hot water and the fixtures that it serves (the “hot water rectangle”) divided by the floor area of the dwelling.

1. Sources of hot water include water heaters, or in multiple-family buildings with central water heating systems, circulation loops or electric heat traced pipes.
2. The hot water rectangle shall include the source of hot water and the points of termination of all hot water fixture supply piping.
3. The hot water rectangle shall be shown on the floor plans and the area shall be computed to the nearest square foot.
4. Where there is more than one water heater and each water heater serves different plumbing fixtures and appliances, it is permissible to establish a separate hot water rectangle for each hot water distribution system and add the area of these rectangles together to determine the compactness ratio.
5. The basement or attic shall be counted as a story when it contains the water heater.
6. Compliance shall be demonstrated by providing a drawing on the plans that shows the hot water distribution system rectangle(s), comparing the area of the rectangle(s) to the area of the dwelling and identifying the appropriate compactness ratio and *HWDS* factor.

- j. For a *proposed design* with electric resistance heating, a split system heat pump complying with 10 CFR §430.32 (2021) shall be assumed modeled in the *standard reference design*.

- k. For heating systems, cooling systems, or water heating systems not included in Table R405.4.2(1), the *standard reference design* shall be the same as *proposed design*.

- l. Only sections of *ductwork* that are installed in accordance with Section R403.3.4(1) and R403.3.4(2), are assumed to be located completely inside *conditioned space*. All other sections of *ductwork* are not assumed to be located completely inside *conditioned space*.
- m. Sections of *ductwork* installed in accordance with Section R403.3.5.1, are assumed to have an effective duct insulation R-value of R-25.

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TABLE R405.4.2(2)
DEFAULT DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM EFFICIENCIES FOR PROPOSED DESIGNS^a

DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM CONFIGURATION AND CONDITION	FORCED AIR SYSTEMS	HYDRONIC SYSTEMS ^b
Distribution system components located in unconditioned space	NA	0.95
Distribution system components entirely located in conditioned space ^c	NA	1
Ductless systems ^d	1	NA

- a. Default values in this table are for untested distribution systems, which must still meet minimum requirements for duct system insulation comply with Section R403.
- b. Hydronic systems shall mean means those systems that distribute heating and cooling energy directly to individual spaces using liquids pumped through closed-loop piping and that do not depend on ducted, forced airflow to maintain space temperatures.
- c. Entire system in conditioned space shall mean means that no component of the distribution system, including the air handler unit, is located outside of the conditioned space.
- d. Ductless systems shall be are allowed to have forced airflow across a coil but shall must not have any ducted airflow external to the manufacturer's air handler enclosure space conditioning equipment.

R405.4.3 Input values When calculations require input values not specified by Sections R402, R403, R404 and R405, those input values shall be taken from an approved source.

R405.5 Calculation software tools. Calculation software, where used, shall be in accordance with Sections R405.5.1 through R405.5.6. Performance analysis tools meeting the applicable provisions of Sections R405.5.1 through R405.5.4 shall be permitted to be approved. Tools are permitted to be approved based on meeting a specified threshold for a jurisdiction. The code official shall be permitted to approve such tools for a specified application or limited scope.

R405.5.1 Minimum capabilities. Calculation procedures used to comply with this section shall be software tools capable of calculating the annual energy consumption of all building elements that differ between the standard reference design and the proposed design and Approved software tools shall include the following capabilities:

1. Computer generation of the standard reference design using only the input for the proposed design. The calculation procedure shall not allow the user to directly modify the building component characteristics of the standard reference design.
2. Calculation of whole-building dwelling unit (as a single zone) sizing for the heating and cooling equipment in the standard reference design residence in accordance with Section R403.7.
3. Hourly calculations of building operation for a full calendar year (8760 hours).
- 3.4. Calculations that account for the effects hourly variations of indoor and outdoor temperatures and part-load ratios on the performance of heating, ventilating and air-conditioning equipment based on climate and equipment sizing.
- 4.5. Printed code official inspection checklist listing each of the proposed design component characteristics from Table R405.4.2(1) determined by the analysis to provide compliance, along with their respective performance ratings such as R-value, U-factor, SHGC, HSPF2, AFUE, SEER2 and UEF.

R405.5.2 Testing required by software vendors. Prior to approval, software tools shall be tested by the software vendor in accordance with ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 140 Class II, Tier 1 test procedures. During testing, hidden inputs that are not normally accessible to the user shall be permitted to avoid introducing source code changes strictly used for testing. Software vendors shall publish, on a publicly available website, the following ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 140 test results, input files, and modeler reports for each tested version of a software tool:

1. Test results demonstrating the software tool was tested in accordance with ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 140.
2. The modeler report in ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 140, Annex A2, Attachment A2.7.

R405.5.3 Algorithms not tested. Algorithms not tested in accordance with Section R405.5.2 shall be permitted in accordance with ANSI/RESNET/ICC 301. Numerical settings not tested, such as timestep duration and tolerances shall be permitted when they represent a higher resolution than the numerical settings used for testing.

R405.5.4 Compliance reports. *Approved* software tools shall generate compliance reports in accordance with Sections R405.5.4.1 and R405.5.4.2.

R405.5.4.1 Compliance report for permit application. A compliance report generated for submission with the application for building permit shall include the following:

1. *Building* street address, or other *building* site identification.
2. The name of the individual performing the analysis and generating the compliance report.
3. The name and version of the compliance software tool.
4. Documentation of all inputs entered into the software used to produce the results for the *standard reference design* and the *proposed design*.
5. A certificate indicating that the *proposed design* complies with Section R405.2. The certificate shall document the *building* components' energy specifications that are included in the calculation including: component-level insulation R-values or U-factors; *duct system* and *building thermal envelope* air leakage testing assumptions; and the type and rated efficiencies of proposed heating, cooling, mechanical *ventilation* and service water-heating equipment to be installed. Where *on-site renewable energy* systems will be installed, the certificate shall report the type and production size of the proposed system.
6. Where a site-specific report is not generated, the *proposed design* shall be based on the worst-case orientation and configuration of the rated *dwelling unit*.

R405.5.4.2 Compliance report for certificate of occupancy. A compliance report generated for submission prior to obtaining the certificate of occupancy shall include the following:

1. *Building* street address, or other *building* site identification.
2. Declaration of the *simulated building performance* path on the title page of the energy report and the title page of the *building* plans.
3. A statement, bearing the name of the individual performing the analysis and generating the report, indicating that the as-built *building* complies with the requirements of Section R405.2.
4. The name and version of the compliance software tool.
5. A site-specific *energy analysis* report that is in compliance with the requirements of Section R405.4, where all inputs for the *proposed design* have been replaced in the simulation with confirmed energy features of the as-built *dwelling unit*.

6. A final confirmed certificate indicating compliance based on inspection, and a statement indicating that the as-built *building* complies with Section R405.2. The certificate shall report the energy features that were confirmed to be in the *building*, including component-level insulation R-values or U-factors; results from any required *duct* system and *building thermal envelope* air leakage testing; and the type and rated efficiencies of the heating, cooling, mechanical *ventilation* and service water-heating equipment installed.
7. When *on-site renewable energy* systems have been installed, the certificate shall report the type and production size of the installed system.

~~**R405.5.2**~~**R405.5.5 Specific approval.** Performance analysis tools meeting the applicable provisions of ~~Section R405~~ shall be permitted to be ~~approved~~. Tools are permitted to be ~~approved~~ based on meeting a specified threshold for a jurisdiction. The ~~code official~~ shall be permitted to approve such tools for a specified application or limited scope.

~~**R405.5.3**~~**R405.5.6 Input values.** When calculations require input values not specified by ~~Sections R402, R403, R404 and R405~~, those input values shall be taken from an ~~approved~~ source.

SECTION R406 ENERGY RATING INDEX COMPLIANCE ALTERNATIVE

R406.1 Scope. This section establishes criteria for compliance using an Energy Rating Index (ERI) analysis. *Such analysis shall be limited to dwelling units. Spaces other than dwelling units in Group R-2, R-3, or R-4 buildings shall comply with Sections R402 through R404.*

R406.2 ERI compliance. Compliance based on the ERI requires that the *rated design and as-built dwelling unit meet* meets all of the following:

1. The requirements of the sections indicated within **Table R406.2**.
2. Maximum ERI values indicated in **Table R406.5**.

**TABLE R406.2
REQUIREMENTS FOR ENERGY RATING INDEX**

SECTION^a	TITLE
General	
R401.3	Certificate
Building Thermal Envelope	
R402.1.1	Vapor retarder
R402.2.4	Eave baffle
R402.2.5.1	Access hatches and doors
R402.2.9	Basement walls
R402.2.9.1	Basement wall insulation installation
R402.2.10.4	Slab-on-grade floors floor insulation installation
R402.2.11.1R402.2.11	Crawl space walls wall insulation installation
R402.5.1.1	Installation
R402.5.1.2	TestingAir leakage testing
R402.5.1.3	Maximum air leakage rate
R402.5.2	Fireplaces
R402.5.3	Fenestration air leakage
R402.5.4R402.1.6	Rooms containing fuel burning appliances
R402.5.5	Recessed lighting
R402.5.6	Air-sealed electrical and communication outlet boxes(air sealed boxes)
R406.3	Building thermal envelope
Mechanical	
R403.1	Controls
R403.2	Hot water boiler temperature reset
R403.3	Duct systems
R403.4	Mechanical system piping insulation
R403.5 except Section R403.5.2	Service hot water systems
R403.5.2	Hot water pipe insulation
R403.6	Mechanical ventilation
R403.7, except Section R403.7.1	Equipment sizing and efficiency rating
R403.8	Systems serving multiple dwelling units
R403.15	Snow melt and ice system controls
R403.10	Energy consumption of pools and spas

R403.11	Portable spas
R403.12	Residential pools and permanent residential spas
R403.14	Gas fireplaces
Electrical Power and Lighting Systems	
R404.1	Lighting equipment
R404.2	Interior lighting controls
R404.5	Electric readiness
R404.6	Renewable energy infrastructure
R404.7	Electric Vehicle power transfer infrastructure

a. Reference to a code section includes all of the relative subsections except as indicated in the table.

R406.3 Building thermal envelope The proposed total *building thermal envelope thermal conductance TCUA*, which is sum of *U factor times assembly area*, shall be less than or equal to the *required total building thermal envelope thermal conductance TCUA* using the prescriptive *U-factors and F-factors* from **Table R402.1.2** multiplied by 1.08 in Climate Zones 0, 1, and 2, and by 1.15 in Climate Zones 3 through 8, in accordance with Equation 4-3 and R402.1.5. The area-weighted maximum *fenestration SHGC* permitted in Climate Zones 0 through 3 shall be 0.30.

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For Climate Zones 0-2: $TCUA_{\text{Proposed design}} \leq 1.08 \times TCUA_{\text{Prescriptive reference design}}$ (Equation 4-3)

For Climate Zones 3-8: $TCUA_{\text{Proposed design}} \leq 1.15 \times TCUA_{\text{Prescriptive reference design}}$

R406.4 Energy Rating Index. The Energy Rating Index (ERI) shall be determined in accordance with ANSI/RESNET/ICC 301. The mechanical *ventilation* rates used for the purpose of determining the ERI shall not be construed to establish minimum *ventilation* requirements for compliance with this code.

Energy used to recharge or refuel a vehicle used for transportation on roads that are not on the *building site* shall not be included in the *ERI reference design* or the *rated design*.

R406.5 ERI-based compliance. Compliance based on an ERI analysis requires that the *rated proposed design* and *each confirmed built as-built dwelling unit* be shown to have an ERI less than or equal to the *appropriate applicable* value indicated in **Table R406.5** *when where* compared to the *ERI reference design as follows*:

1. Where on-site renewables are not installed, the maximum ENERGY RATING INDEX NOT INCLUDING OPP applies.
2. Where on-site renewables are installed, the maximum ENERGY RATING INDEX INCLUDING OPP applies.

Exceptions:

1. Where the ERI analysis excludes OPP, the maximum ENERGY RATING INDEX NOT INCLUDING OPP shall be permitted.

2. For *buildings* with twenty or more *dwelling units*, where *approved* by the *code official*, compliance shall be permitted using the *Average Dwelling Unit Energy Rating Index*, as calculated in accordance with ANSI/RESNET/ICC 301.

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**TABLE R406.5
MAXIMUM ENERGY RATING INDEX**

CLIMATE ZONE	ENERGY RATING INDEX NOT INCLUDING OPP	ENERGY RATING INDEX WITH OPP
0-1	51	40 35
2	51	40 34
3	50	40 33
4	53	40
5	54	40 43
6	53	40 43
7	52	40 46
8	52	40 46

R406.6 Verification by approved agency. Verification of compliance with **Section R406** as outlined in ~~Sections R406.4~~ **Sections R406.5** and ~~R406.6~~ **R406.7** shall be completed by an *approved* third party. Verification of compliance with **Section R406.2** shall be completed by the authority having jurisdiction or an *approved* third-party inspection agency in accordance with ~~Section R107.4~~ **Section R109.2**.

R406.7 Documentation. Documentation of the software used to determine the *ERI* and the parameters for the *ERI reference design residential building* shall be in accordance with **Sections R406.7.1** through **R406.7.4**.

R406.7.1 Compliance software tools. Software tools used for determining *ERI* shall be ~~Approved Software Rating Tools~~ **approved software rating tools** as defined by in accordance with ~~RESNET/ICC 301~~ **ANSI/RESNET/ICC 301**. Software vendors shall publish, on a publicly available website, documentation that the software tool has been validated using the Class II, Tier 1 test procedure in ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 140.

R406.7.2 Compliance report. Compliance software tools shall generate a report that documents that the ~~home and the~~ *ERI* score *ERI* of the *rated design* and *as-built dwelling unit* complies with **Sections R406.2**, **R406.3**, and **R406.4**, and **R406.5**. Compliance documentation shall be created for the *proposed design* and shall be submitted with the application for the building permit. Confirmed compliance documents of the *as-built dwelling unit* shall be created and submitted to the *code official* for review before a certificate of occupancy is issued. Compliance reports shall include information in accordance with **Sections R406.7.2.1** and **R406.7.2.2**.

R406.7.2.1 Proposed compliance report for permit application. Compliance reports submitted with the application for a building permit shall include the following:

1. *Building* street address, or other *building site* identification.
2. Declare *ERI* on title page and *building* plans.
3. The name of the individual performing the analysis and generating the compliance report.
4. The name and version of the compliance software tool.
5. Documentation of all inputs entered into the software used to produce the results for the *ERI* reference design and ~~for the~~ *rated design home*.

6. A certificate indicating that the *proposed design* has an ERI less than or equal to the appropriate score indicated in **Table R406.5** when compared to the ERI reference design. The certificate shall document the *building* component energy specifications that are included in the calculation, including: component level insulation *R*-values or *U*-factors; assumed *duct* system and *building thermal envelope* air leakage testing results; and the type and rated efficiencies of proposed heating, cooling, mechanical *ventilation*, and service water-heating equipment to be installed. If *on-site renewable energy* systems will be installed, the certificate shall report the type and production size of the proposed system.
7. When a site-specific report is not generated, the *proposed design* shall be based on the worst-case orientation and configuration of the rated *dwelling unit home*.

R406.7.2.2 Confirmed compliance report for a certificate of occupancy. A confirmed compliance report submitted for obtaining the certificate of occupancy shall be made site and address specific and include the following:

1. *Building* street address or other *building site* identification.
2. Declaration of ERI on title page and on *building* plans.
3. The name of the individual performing the analysis and generating the report.
4. The name and version of the compliance software tool.
5. Documentation of all inputs entered into the software used to produce the results for the *ERI* reference design and/or the *as-built dwelling unit rated home*.
6. A final confirmed certificate indicating that the *as-built building confirmed rated design of the built home* complies with **Sections R406.2, and R406.4, and R406.5**. The certificate shall report the energy features that were confirmed to be in the *homebuilding*, including: component-level insulation *R*-values or *U*-factors; results from any required *duct* system and *building thermal envelope* air leakage testing; and the type and rated efficiencies of the heating, cooling, mechanical *ventilation*, and service water-heating equipment installed. Where *on-site renewable energy* systems have been installed on or in the *building home*, the certificate shall report the type and production size of the installed system.

R406.7.3 Renewable energy certificate (REC) documentation. Where renewable energy power production is included in the calculation of an ERI, documentation shall comply with Section R404.4.

R406.7.4 Additional documentation. The *code official* shall be permitted to require the following documents:

1. Documentation of the *building* component characteristics of the *ERI reference design*.
2. A certification signed by the builder providing the *building* component characteristics of the *rated design*.
3. Documentation of the actual values used in the software calculations for the *rated design*.

R406.7.5 Specific approval. Performance analysis tools meeting the applicable subsections of **Section R406** shall be *approved*. Documentation demonstrating the approval of performance analysis tools in accordance with **Section R406.7.1** shall be provided.

R406.7.6 Input values. Where calculations require input values not specified by **Sections R402, R403, R404 and R405**, those input values shall be taken from ~~RESNET/ICC 301~~ [ANSI/](#)

SECTION R407 TROPICAL CLIMATE REGION COMPLIANCE PATH

R407.1 Scope. This section establishes alternative criteria for residential buildings in the tropical region at elevations less than 2,400 feet (731.5 m) above sea level.

R407.2 Tropical climate region. Compliance with this section requires the following:

1. Not more than one-half of the *occupied* space is air conditioned.
2. The *occupied* space is not heated.
3. Solar, wind or other renewable energy source supplies not less than 80 percent of the energy for *service water heating*.
4. Glazing in *conditioned spaces* has a *solar heat gain coefficient* (SHGC) of less than or equal to 0.40, or has an overhang with a projection factor equal to or greater than 0.30.
5. Permanently installed lighting is in accordance with **Section R404**.
6. The exterior ~~roof surface complies with one of the options in Table C402.3 of the *International Energy Conservation Code Commercial Provisions* or the~~ roof surface complies with one of the options in Table R407.2 or the roof or ceiling has insulation with an *R-value* of R-15 or greater. Where attics are present, attics above the insulation are vented and attics below the insulation are unvented.
7. Roof surfaces have a slope of not less than $\frac{1}{4}$ unit vertical in 12 units horizontal (2-percent slope). The finished roof does not have water accumulation areas.
8. Operable *fenestration* provides a *ventilation* area of not less than 14 percent of the floor area in each room. Alternatively, equivalent *ventilation* is provided by a *ventilation* fan.
9. Bedrooms with *exterior walls* facing two different directions have operable *fenestration* on exterior walls facing two directions.
10. Interior doors to bedrooms are capable of being secured in the open position.
11. A ceiling fan or ceiling fan rough-in is provided for bedrooms and the largest space that is not used as a bedroom.

**TABLE R407.2
MINIMUM ROOF REFLECTANCE AND EMITTANCE OPTIONS^a**

Three-year-aged solar reflectance ^b of 0.55 and 3-year aged thermal emittance ^c of 0.75
Three-year-aged solar reflectance index ^d of 64

- a. The use of area-weighted averages to comply with these requirements shall be permitted. Materials lacking 3-year-aged tested values for either solar reflectance or thermal *emittance* shall be assigned both a 3-year-aged solar reflectance in accordance with Section C402.4.1 and a 3-year-aged thermal *emittance* of 0.90.
- b. Aged solar reflectance tested in accordance with ASTM C1549, ASTM E903 or ASTM E1918 or CRRC-S100.
- c. Aged thermal *emittance* tested in accordance with ASTM C1371 or ASTM E408 or CRRC-S100.
- d. Solar reflectance index (SRI) shall be determined in accordance with ASTM E1980 using a convection coefficient of 2.1 Btu/h × ft² × °F (12 W/m² × K). Calculation of aged SRI shall be based on aged tested values of solar reflectance and thermal *emittance*.

**SECTION R408
ADDITIONAL EFFICIENCY REQUIREMENTS**

R408.1 Scope. This section ~~establishes~~ **provides** additional efficiency **measures and credits to achieve additional energy efficiency in accordance with Section R401.2.5.** ~~required to comply with Section R401.2.1.~~

R408.2 Additional energy efficiency credit requirements . *Residential buildings shall earn not less than ten credits from not less than two* ~~Two of the additional measures shall be selected from specified in Table R408.2 that meet or exceed a total of ten credits.~~ Five additional credits shall be ~~selected~~ **earned** for *dwelling units with greater* **more** than 5,000 square feet (465 m²) of *living space floor area located above grade plane.* **To earn credit as specified in Table R408.2 for the applicable Climate Zone, Each** ~~each~~ **measure selected for compliance shall meet** ~~comply with the relevant applicable subsections of Section R408 and receive credit as specified in Table R408.2 for the specific Climate Zone.~~ **Each dwelling unit or sleeping unit shall comply with the selected measure to earn credit.** Interpolation of credits between measures shall not be permitted.

**TABLE R408.2
CREDITS FOR ADDITIONAL ENERGY EFFICIENCY**

Measure Number	Measure Description	Credit Value								
		Climate Zone 0 & 1	Climate Zone 2	Climate Zone 3	Climate Zone 4 except Marine	Climate Zone 4G Marine	Climate Zone 5	Climate Zone 6	Climate Zone 7	Climate Zone 8
R408.2.1.1(1)	≥2.5% Reduction in total TCUA	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1
R408.2.1.1(2)	≥5% reduction in total TCUA	0	1	1	2	2	3	3	3	3
R408.2.1.1(3)	>7.5% reduction in total TCUA	0	1	2	2	2	3	3	4	4
R408.2.1.1(4)	>10% reduction in total TC	1	1	2	3	3	4	4	5	5
R408.2.1.1(5)	>15% reduction in total TC	1	2	2	4	4	5	6	7	8
R408.2.1.1(6)	>20% reduction in total TC	2	4	4	5	6	7	8	9	11
R408.2.1.1(7)	>30% reduction in total TC	3	6	6	8	8	11	12	13	16
R408.2.1.2(1)	0.22 U-factor windows	4	2	2	3	3	4	4	4	5
R408.2.1.2(2)	U-factor and SHGC for windows vertical fenestration per Table R408.2.1	1	1	1	2	2	3	3	3	4
R408.2.1.3	Cool Roof reflectance (roof is part of the building thermal envelope and directly above cooled, conditioned space)	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

R408.2.1.3	Roof reflectance (roof is above an unconditioned space that contains a duct system)	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
R408.2.1.4	Reduced air leakage	1	1	1	2	1	3	NA	NA	NA
R408.2.2(1) ^b	High performance cooling system option 1 Ground source heat pump	4	8	12	19	14	25	32	35	46
R408.2.2(2) ^b	High performance cooling system option 2 High Performance Cooling (Option 1)	5	4	3	2	1	1	1	1	1
R408.2.2(3) ^b	High performance gas furnace option 1 High Performance Cooling (Option 2)	6	4	3	2	1	1	1	1	1
R408.2.2(4) ^b	High performance gas furnace option 2 High Performance Gas furnace (Option 1)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	6	7	7	NA
R408.2.2(5) ^b	High performance gas furnace and cooling system option 2 High Performance Gas furnace (Option 2)	0	1	2	4	3	NA	NA	NA	8

R408.2.2(6) ^b	High performance gas furnace and heat pump system option 1 High Performance Gas furnace (Option 3)	0	1	1	3	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
R408.2.2(7) ^b	High performance gas furnace option 2 High Performance Gas furnace and cooling (Option 1)	5	5	4	5	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
R408.2.2(8) ^b	High performance heat pump system option 4 High Performance Gas furnace and cooling (Option 2)	6	5	5	6	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
R408.2.2(9) ^b	High performance heat pump system option 2 High Performance Gas furnace and heat pump (Option 1)	13	12	9	7	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
R408.2.2(10) ^b	High performance heat pump system option 3 High Performance Heat pump with electric resistance backup (Option 1)	13	12	11	12	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
R408.2.2(11) ^b	Ground source heat pump High Performance Gas furnace and cooling (Option 3)	NA	NA	NA	NA	4	6	7	7	9

R408.2.2(12) ^b	Ductless— Single zone High Performance Gas furnace and cooling (Option 4)	NA	NA	NA	NA	5	7	8	8	10
R408.2.2(13) ^b	Ductless— Multizone (Non-ducted indoor unit) High Performance Gas furnace and heat pump (Option 2)	NA	NA	NA	NA	8	0	-1	-3	-7
R408.2.2(14) ^b	Ductless— Multizone (Ducted or Mixed) High Performance Heat pump with electric resistance backup (Option 2)	NA	NA	NA	NA	8	12	13	14	16
R408.2.3(1)(a) ^d	Gas-fired storage water heaters (Option 1)	78	67	57	35	36	24	24	3	42
R408.2.3(1)(b) ^d	Gas Fired Storage Water Heater (Option 2)	9	8	8	6	7	5	4	4	3
R408.2.3(2)(a) ^d	Gas-fired instantaneous water heaters (Option 1)	10	9	9	6	7	5	5	4	3
R408.2.3(2)(b) ^d	Gas-fired instantaneous water heaters (Option 2)	11	10	9	6	7	6	5	4	3
R408.2.3(3)(a) ^d	Electric water heaters (Option 1)	12	11	11	8	8	5	4	4	3
R408.2.3(3)(b) ^d	Electric water heaters (Option 2)	12	11	11	8	8	5	4	4	3
R408.2.3(4) ^d	Electric water heaters (Option 3)	11	11	11	8	8	5	4	4	3

R408.2.3(5)(a) ^d	Electric water heaters (Option 4)	8	10	11	8	11	7	5	5	4
R408.2.3(5)(b) ^d	Electric water heaters (Option 5)	9	11	12	8	11	7	6	5	4
R408.2.3(5) ^d	Electric water heaters (Option 6)	12	11	11	8	8	5	4	4	3
R408.2.3(6)(a) ^d	Solar hot water heating system (Option 1)	413	513	613	69	68	65	54	54	43
R408.2.3(6)(b) ^d	Solar hot water heating system (Option 2)	10	9	9	6	7	6	5	4	3
R408.2.3.1 ^c	Compact hot water distribution	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
R408.2.4(1) ^c	More efficient distribution system	43	64	75	107	108	1210	1310	1510	1614
R408.2.4(2) ^c	100% of duct systems ducts in conditioned space	42	63	84	126	127	159	179	199	2013
R408.2.4(3) ^c	≥80% of ductwork inside conditioned space	2	3	3	5	6	7	7	7	9
R408.2.4(3) R408.2.4(4) ^c	Reduced total duct leakage	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2
R408.2.5(1)	ERV or HRV installed	0	0	0	0	1	3	2	2	2
R408.2.5(12) ^c	≤2.0 ACH50 air leakage rate with ERV or HRV installed	40	40	50	104	104	138	155	85	85
R408.2.5(23) ^c	≤2.0 ACH50 air leakage rate with balanced ventilation balanced ventilation system	20	30	20	40	40	50	64	64	64

R408.2.5(34) ^c	≤1.5 ACH50 air leakage rate with ERV or HRV installed	20	40	60	126	125	1510	189	119	119
R408.2.5(45) ^c	≤1.0 ACH50 air leakage rate with ERV or HRV installed	20	50	61	147	146	1712	2112	1412	1412
R408.2.6 ^a	Energy efficient appliances	91	81	81	71	71	51	50	50	40
R408.2.7	Renewable energy measures	17	16	17	11	11	9	8	7	4
R408.2.8 ^c	Demand responsive thermostat	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
R408.2.10	Whole home lighting control	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
R408.2.11	Higher efficacy lighting	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

a. Where the measure is selected, each *dwelling unit*, *sleeping unit*, and *common areas* where the measure is applicable must have the measure installed.

b. Where multiple heating or cooling systems are installed, credits shall be determined using a weighted average of the square footage served by each system.

c. Where the measure is selected, each *dwelling unit* and *sleeping unit* must comply with the measure.

d. Where the measure is selected, each *dwelling unit* shall be served by a water heater meeting the applicable requirements. Where multiple service water heating systems are installed, credits shall be determined using a weighted average of the square footage served by each system.

SEER2: Seasonal Energy Efficiency Ratio, HSPF2: Heating Season Performance Factor, EER2: Energy Efficiency Ratio, COP: Coefficient of Performance

R408.2.1 Enhanced building thermal envelope options. For the enhanced envelope credits, the *building thermal envelope* shall meet the requirements ~~comply with one or more~~ of the following:

1. Either Section R408.2.1.1 or R408.2.1.2. Credit shall only be permitted from one measure.
2. Section R408.2.1.3.
3. Section R408.2.1.4.

R408.2.1.1 Enhanced building thermal envelope performance UA The proposed total *building thermal envelope thermal conductance TCUA* shall be calculated for the proposed *building* in accordance with Section R402.1.5 and it shall be reduced by not less than the percentage indicated in Table R408.2 in comparison to the reference *building*. shall meet one of the following:

1. Not less than 2.5 percent of the total TCUA of the *building thermal envelope*.
2. Not less than 5 percent of the total TCUA of the *building thermal envelope*.
3. Not less than 7.5 percent of the total TCUA of the *building thermal envelope*.

R408.2.1.2 Improved fenestration The area weighted average U-factor and SHGC of all

vertical fenestration shall meet one of the following: be equal to or less than values specified in Table R408.2.1.2

1. U factor equal to or less than 0.22
2. U factor and SHGC equal or less than that specified in Table R408.2.1.2

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**TABLE R408.2.1.2
IMPROVED FENESTRATION**

Climate Zone	Fenestration-U-factor	Fenestration-SHGC
0	0.32	0.23
1	0.32	0.23
2	0.30	0.23
3	0.25 0.28	0.25 0.23
4 except 4 Marine	NA0.25	NA0.40
5 and 4 Marine	NA0.25	NaNR
6	NA0.25	NaNR
7 and 8	0.25	NaNR

R408.2.1.3 Roof reflectance. Roofs in Climate Zones 0-4 and 4C shall comply with one or more of the options in Table R408.2.1.3. The following roofs and portions of roofs are excluded from the roof reflectance credit:

1. Portions of the roof that include or are covered by the following:
 - 1.1 Photovoltaic systems or components.
 - 1.2 Solar air or water-heating systems or components.
 - 1.3 Vegetative roofs or landscaped roofs.
 - 1.4 Above-roof decks or walkways.
 - 1.5 Skylights.
 - 1.6 HVAC systems and components, and other opaque objects mounted above the roof.
2. Portions of the roof shaded during the peak sun angle on the summer solstice by permanent features of the *building* or by permanent features of adjacent buildings.
3. Portions of roofs that are ballasted with a minimum stone ballast of 17 pounds per square foot (74 kg/m²) or 23 psf (117 kg/m²) pavers.
4. Roofs where not less than 75 percent of the roof area complies with one or more of the exceptions to this section.

**TABLE R408.2.1.3
MINIMUM ROOF REFLECTANCE^a**

ROOF SLOPE	THREE-YEAR AGED SOLAR REFLECTANCE INDEX ^b
Low-slope <i>Low slope</i>	75 ^{b-e}
Steep-slope <i>Steep slope</i>	16

- a. The use of area-weighted averages to comply with these requirements shall be permitted. Materials lacking 3-year-aged tested values for solar reflectance shall be assigned a 3-year-aged solar reflectance in accordance with Section R408.2.1.3.1.
- ~~b. Aged solar reflectance tested in accordance with ASTM C1549, ASTM E903 or ASTM E1918 or CRRC S100.~~
- e.b. Solar reflectance index (SRI) shall be determined in accordance with ASTM E1980 using a convection coefficient of 2.1 Btu/h × ft² × °F (12 W/m² × K). Calculation of aged SRI shall be based on aged tested values of solar reflectance **tested in accordance with ASTM C1549, ASTM E903, ASTM E1918, or CRRC S100** and thermal emittance **tested in accordance with ASTM C1371, ASTM E408, or CRRC S100**.

R408.2.1.3.1 Aged solar reflectance Where an aged solar reflectance ~~required by Section R402-6~~ is not available, it shall be determined in accordance with Equation 4-4

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(Equation 4-4)

$$R_{aged} = [0.2 + 0.7(R_{initial} - 0.2)]$$

R_{aged} = The aged solar reflectance

R_{initial} = The initial solar reflectance determined in accordance **ASTM C1549, ASTM E903, ASTM E1918, or with CRRC-S100**

R408.2.1.4 Reduced air leakage. For the reduced air leakage credit, the *building* shall have a measured air leakage rate no less than 2.0 ACH50 and no greater than 2.5 ACH50 or the *dwelling units* in the *building* shall have an average measured *air leakage* rate no greater than 0.24 cfm50/ft².

R408.2.2 More efficient HVAC equipment performance option. Heating and cooling *equipment* shall meet one of the following efficiencies **as applicable for the climate zone**. Where multiple heating or cooling systems are installed serving different zones, credits shall be earned based on the weighted average of square footage of the *zone* served by the system.

~~Centrally Ducted Systems:~~ **HVAC options applicable to all climate zones:**

- ~~1. Greater than or equal to 16~~
- ~~2. Greater than or equal to 18 SEER (16.9 SEER2) and 14 EER (13.4 EER2) air conditioner.~~
- ~~3. Greater than or equal to 92 AFUE natural gas furnace.~~
- ~~4. Greater than or equal to 95 AFUE natural gas furnace and 15.2 SEER2 in Climate Zones 5, 6 and 7~~
- ~~5. Greater than or equal to 95 AFUE natural gas furnace and 16.0 SEER2 in other Climate Zones for air conditioner.~~

6. ~~Greater than or equal to 95 AFUE natural gas furnace and 8.5 HSPF2/16.0 SEER2 air source heat pump.~~
7. ~~Greater than or equal to 96 AFUE natural gas furnace.~~
8. ~~Greater than or equal to 8.5 HSPF2/16.0 SEER2 air source heat pump.~~
9. ~~Greater than or equal to 9 HSPF (7.6 HSPF2) /16 SEER (15.2 SEER2) air source heat pump.~~
10. ~~Greater than or equal to 10 HSPF (8.5 HSPF2) /16SEER (15.2 SEER2) air source heat pump.~~
11. ~~Greater than or equal to 3.5 COP ground source heat pump.~~

Ductless Systems:

12. ~~Single Zone: 8.5 HSPF2/16.9 SEER2 variable speed air source heat pump.~~
13. ~~Multi Zone: 8.5 HSPF2/16.9 SEER2 variable speed air source heat pump (Non-Ducted Indoor Units).~~
14. ~~Multi Zone: 8.5 HSPF2/15.2 SEER2 variable speed air source heat pump (Ducted or Mixed Indoor Units)~~
 1. Ground source Heat Pump -Greater than or equal to 16.1 EER and 3.1 COP ground source heat pump.
 2. Cooling (Option 1)-Greater than or equal to 15.2 SEER2 and 12.0 EER2 air conditioner.
 3. Cooling (Option 2)-Greater than or equal to 16.0 SEER2 and 12.0 EER2 air conditioner.
 4. Gas Furnace (Option 1)-Greater than or equal to 97 % AFUE *fuel gas* furnace.
 5. Gas Furnace (Option 2)- Greater than or equal to 95% AFUE *fuel gas* furnace.

HVAC options applicable to climate zones 0, 1, 2, and 3:

6. Gas Furnace (Option 3)-Greater than or equal to 90% AFUE *fuel gas* furnace.
7. Gas Furnace and Cooling (Option 1)- Greater than or equal to 90% AFUE *fuel gas* furnace and 15.2 SEER2 and 10.0 EER2 air conditioner.
8. Gas Furnace and Cooling (Option 2) - Greater than or equal to 95% AFUE *fuel gas* furnace and 16.0 SEER2 and 10.0 EER2 air conditioner.
9. Gas Furnace and Heat Pump (Option 1) - Greater than or equal to 90% AFUE *fuel gas* furnace and 7.8 HSPF2, 15.2 SEER2 and 10.0 EER2 air source heat pump.
10. Heat Pump (Option 1)-Greater than or equal to 7.8 HSPF2, 15.2 SEER2, and 11.7 EER2 air source heat pump.

HVAC options applicable to climate zones 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8:

11. Gas Furnace and Cooling (Option 3)-Greater than or equal to 95% AFUE *fuel gas* furnace and 15.2 SEER2 and 12.0 EER2 air conditioner.
12. Gas Furnace and Cooling (Option 4)-Greater than or equal to 97% AFUE *fuel gas* furnace and 16.0 SEER2 and 12.0 EER2 air conditioner.
13. Gas Furnace and Heat Pump (Option 2)- Greater than or equal to 95% AFUE *fuel gas* furnace and 8.1 HSPF2 and 15.2 SEER2 air source heat pump capable of meeting a capacity ratio $\geq 70\%$ of heating capacity at 5 °F versus rated heating capacity at 47 °F.
14. Heat Pump (Option 2)-Greater than or equal to 8.1 HSPF2 and 15.2 SEER2 air source heat pump capable of meeting a capacity ratio $\geq 70\%$ of heating capacity at 5 °F versus rated heating capacity at 47 °F.

R408.2.3 Reduced energy use in service water-heating options. For measure numbers R408.2.3 (1) through ~~R408.2.3 (5)~~R408.2.3(7), the **installed** hot water system shall meet one of the Uniform Energy Factors (UEF) or Solar Uniform Energy Factors (SUEF) in Table R408.2.3. For measure number ~~R408.2.3 (6)~~R408.2.3(8), the **compact dwelling unit**-hot water **distribution** system shall comply with R408.2.3.1.

~~To field or plan review verify that the system meets the prescribed limit, one of the following~~

~~must be done:~~

- ~~1. At plan review, referencing ounces of water per foot of tube on plans as per Table R403.5.4.~~
- ~~2. At rough in (plumbing), referencing ounces of water per foot of tube installed as per Table R403.5.4.~~
- ~~3. At final inspection. In accordance with Department of Energy's Zero Energy Ready Home National Specification (Rev. 07 or higher) footnote on Hot water delivery systems.~~

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**TABLE R408.2.3
Service water-heating efficiencies**

Measure Number	Water Heater	Size and Draw Pattern	Type	Efficiency
R408.2.3(1)(a)	Gas-fired storage water heaters (option 1)	All storage volumes, all draw patterns		UEF ≥0.81
R408.2.3(1)(b)	Gas-fired storage water heaters (option 2)	≤ 55 gallons, Medium		UEF ≥0.81
		≤ 55 gallons, High		UEF ≥0.86
		>55 gallons, Medium or High		UEF ≥0.86
		Rated input capacity > 75,000 Btu/h		UEF ≥0.86 or $E_t \geq 94\%$
R408.2.3 (2)(a)	Gas-fired instantaneous water heaters (option 1)	All storage volumes, Medium or High		UEF ≥0.950.92
R408.2.3(2)(b)	Gas-fired instantaneous water heaters (option 2)	All storage volumes, Medium or High		UEF ≥0.95
R408.2.3 (3)(a)	Electric water heaters(option 1)	All storage volumes, Low, Medium, or High	Integrated HPWH	UEF ≥ 3.30
R408.2.3(3)(b)	Electric water heaters(option 2)	Low, Medium, or High	Integrated HPWH	UEF ≥ 3.75
R408.2.3 (4)	Electric water heaters(option 3)	Low, Medium, or High	Integrated HPWH, 120 Volt/15 Amp Circuit	UEF ≥ 2.20
R408.2.3(5)(a)	Electric water heaters(option 4)	Low, Medium, or High	Split-system HPWH	UEF ≥ 2.20
R408.2.3(5)(b)	Electric water heaters(option 5)	Low, Medium, or High	Split-system HPWH	UEF ≥ 3.75
R408.2.3(5)	Electric water heaters (option 6)	Rated input capacity >12 kW		COP≥3.00
R408.2.3 (5)R408.2.3(6)(a)	Solar water heaters(option 1)	All storage volumes, all draw patterns	Electric backup	SUEF ≥ 3.00
R408.2.3(6)(b)	Solar water heaters(option 2)	All storage volumes, all draw patterns	Gas backup	SUEF ≥ 1.80

UEF = Uniform Energy Factor, E_t = Thermal Efficiency, COP = Coefficient of Performance

R408.2.3.1 Compact hot water distribution system option. For Compact Hot Water

~~Distribution system credit, the volume~~ The pipe shall store not more than 16 ounces (29.6 mL) of water ~~in~~between the nearest source of heated water and the termination of the fixture supply pipe when calculated using section ~~R403.5.4~~R408.2.3.1.1. ~~Where the source of heated water is a circulation loop, the loop shall be primed with a demand recirculation water system. There shall be a dedicated return line for the loop that begins after the branch to the last fixture on the supply portion of the loop and runs back to the water heater. When the hot water source is the nearest primed plumbing loop or trunk, this must be primed with an on-demand recirculation pump and must run a dedicated ambient return line from the furthest fixture or end of loop to the water heater. In order to claim this credit, the dwelling must have a minimum of 1.5 bathrooms.~~

~~To field or plan review, verify that the system meets the prescribed limit, one of the following must be done:~~

- ~~1. At plan review, referencing ounces of water per foot of tube on plans as per Table R403.5.4.1~~
- ~~2. At rough in (plumbing), referencing ounces of water per foot of tube installed as per Table R403.5.4.1~~
- ~~3. At final inspection, in accordance with Department of Energy's Zero Energy Ready Home National Specification (Rev. 07 or higher) footnote on Hot water delivery systems.~~

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**TABLE R403.5.4 TABLE R408.2.3.1
INTERNAL VOLUME OF VARIOUS WATER DISTRIBUTION TUBING**

OUNCES OF WATER PER FOOT OF TUBE									
NOMINAL SIZE (inches)	COPPER TYPE M	COPPER TYPE L	COPPER TYPE K	CPVC CTS SDR 11	CPVC SCH 40	CPVC SCH 80	PE-RT SDR 9	COMPOSITE ASTM F1281	PEX CTS SDR 9
3/8	1.06	0.97	0.84	N/A	1.17	-	0.64	0.63	0.64
1/2	1.69	1.55	1.45	1.25	1.89	1.46	1.18	1.31	1.18
3/4	3.43	3.22	2.90	2.67	3.38	2.74	2.35	3.39	2.35
1	5.81	5.49	5.17	4.43	5.53	4.57	3.91	5.56	3.91
1 1/4	8.70	8.36	8.09	6.61	9.66	8.24	5.81	8.49	5.81
1 1/2	12.18	11.83	11.45	9.22	13.20	11.38	8.09	13.88	8.09
2	21.08	20.58	20.04	15.79	21.88	19.11	13.86	21.48	13.86

For SI: 1 foot = 304.8 mm, 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 liquid ounce = 0.030L, 1 oz/ft² = 305.15 g/m².

N/A = Not available.

R408.2.3.1.1 Water volume determination The water volume in the piping between a source of heated water and the termination of a fixture supply shall be calculated in accordance with this section. Water heaters, circulating water systems and heat trace temperature maintenance systems shall be considered to be sources of heated water. The volume shall be the sum of the internal volumes of pipe, fittings, valves, meters and manifolds between the nearest source of heated water and the termination of the fixture supply pipe. The volume in the piping shall be determined from Table R408.2.3.1. The volume contained within fixture shutoff valves, within flexible water supply connectors to a fixture fitting and within a fixture fitting shall not be included in the water volume determination. Where heated water is supplied by a recirculating system or heat-traced piping, the volume shall include the portion of the fitting on the branch pipe that supplies water to the fixture.

R408.2.4 More efficient duct thermal distribution system option. The thermal distribution system shall meet one of the following efficiencies:

1. 100 percent of The ductless thermal distribution system or hydronic thermal distribution system is located completely inside on the conditioned side of the building thermal envelope.
2. 100 percent of duct thermal distribution system The space conditioning equipment is located inside conditioned space. In addition, 100 percent of the ductwork is located in completely inside conditioned space as defined by Section R403.3.4(1) and R403.3.4(2)
3. The space conditioning equipment is located inside conditioned space and no less than 80 percent of ductwork is located completely inside conditioned space as defined by Section R403.3.4(1) and R403.3.4(2). In addition, no more than 20 percent of ductwork is contained within building assemblies separating unconditioned from conditioned space as defined by Section R403.3.4(3).

~~3.4.~~ When ducts are ~~Where ductwork is~~ located outside *conditioned space*, the total leakage of the ducts, of the *duct system* measured in accordance with ~~R403.3.7~~ R403.3.5, shall be in accordance with ~~is~~ one of the following:

~~3.14.1~~ Where ~~the space conditioning equipment~~ air handler is installed at the time of testing, ~~total leakage is not greater than~~ 2.0 cubic feet per minute (0.94 L/s) per 100 square feet (9.29 m²) of *conditioned floor area*.

~~3.24.2~~ Where ~~the space conditioning equipment~~ air handler is not installed at the time of testing, ~~total leakage is not greater than~~ 1.75 cubic feet per minute (0.83 L/s) per 100 square feet (9.29 m²) of *conditioned floor area*.

R408.2.5 Improved air sealing and efficient ventilation system option. The measured air leakage rate ~~and ventilation system~~ shall ~~meet~~ be one of the following:

- ~~1. Less than or equal to 2.0 ACH50, with either~~ ~~Either~~ an Energy Recovery Ventilator (ERV) or Heat Recovery Ventilator (HRV) installed.
- ~~2. Less than or equal to 2.0 ACH50, with either an ERV or HRV installed.~~
- ~~2.3. Less than or equal to 2.0 ACH50, with a balanced ventilation system as defined in Section 202 of the 2021 International Mechanical Code.~~
- ~~3.4. Less than or equal to 1.5 ACH50, with either an ERV or HRV installed.~~
- ~~4.5. Less than equal to 1.0 ACH50, with either an ERV or HRV installed.~~

In addition, for measures requiring either an ERV or HRV, HRV and ERV Sensible Recovery Efficiency (SRE) shall be no less than 75 percent at 32°F (0°C), at the lowest *listed* net airflow. ERV Latent Recovery/Moisture Transfer (LRMT) shall be no less than 50 percent, at the lowest *listed* net airflow. In *Climate Zone 8*, recirculation shall not be used as a defrost strategy.

R408.2.6 Energy efficient appliances. Appliances installed in a *residential building dwelling unit* shall ~~meet~~ comply with the product energy efficiency ~~requirements specified~~ specifications listed in Table R408.2.6, or equivalent energy efficiency specifications. Not less than three appliance types from Table R408.2.6 shall be installed for compliance with this section.

Exception: In Group R-2 occupancies where a dishwasher is not installed in each *dwelling unit*, not less than two appliance types complying with Table R408.2.6 shall be installed. In *common areas* each appliance type shall comply with Table R408.2.6.

TABLE R408.2.6
MINIMUM EFFICIENCY REQUIREMENTS: APPLIANCES APPLIANCE SPECIFICATION
REFERENCE DOCUMENT

APPLIANCE	EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENT	TEST PROCEDURE
Refrigerator	Energy Star Program Requirements, Product Specification for Consumer Refrigeration Products, Version 5.1 (08/05/2021) Maximum Annual Energy Consumption (AEC), No greater than 620 kWh/yr	10 CFR 430, Subpart B, Appendix A
Dishwasher	Energy Star Program Requirements for Residential Dishwashers, Version 6.0 (01/29/2016) Maximum Annual Energy Consumption (AEC), No greater than 240 kWh/yr	10 CFR 430, Subpart B, Appendix C1
Clothes dryer	Energy Star Program Requirements, Product Specification for Clothes Dryers, Version 1.1 (05/05/2017)	
Clothes washer and Clothes Dryer	Energy Star Program Requirements, Product Specification for Clothes Washers, Version 8.1 (02/05/2018) Clothes washer located within <i>dwelling units</i> : Maximum Annual Energy Consumption (AEC), No greater than 130 kWh/yr, and Integrated Modified Energy Factor (IMEF) > 1.84 cu.ft/kWh/cycle Clothes washer not located within <i>dwelling units</i> and where <i>dwelling units</i> are not provided with laundry facilities: Modified Energy Factor (MEF)>2.0 cu.ft/kWh/cycle	10 CFR 430 Subpart B, Appendix J2 and 10 CFR 430, Subpart B, Appendices D1 and D2

R408.2.7 Renewable energy *Renewable energy resources* shall be permanently installed that have the rated capacity to produce a minimum of 1.0 watt of *on-site renewable energy* per square foot of *conditioned floor area*. To qualify for this option, renewable energy certificate (REC) documentation shall meet the requirements of Section R404.4.

R408.2.8 Demand response The *thermostat* controlling the primary heating or cooling system of each *dwelling unit* shall be provided with a *demand responsive control* capable of communicating with the Virtual End Node (VEN) using a wired or wireless bi-directional communication pathway that provides the occupant the ability to voluntarily participate in utility demand response programs, where available. The *thermostat* shall be capable of executing the following actions in response to a *demand response signal*:

1. Automatically increasing the *zone* operating cooling set point by the following values: 1°F (0.5°C), 2°F (1°C), 3°F (1.5°C), and 4°F (2°C).
2. Automatically decreasing the *zone* operating heating set point by the following values: 1°F (0.5°C), 2°F (1°C), 3°F (1.5°C), and 4°F (2°C).

Thermostats controlling single stage HVAC systems shall comply with Section R408.2.8.1. Thermostats controlling variable capacity systems shall comply with Section R408.2.8.2. Thermostats controlling multi-stage HVAC systems shall comply with either Section R408.2.8.1 or R408.2.8.2. Where a *demand response signal* is not available the *thermostat* shall be capable of performing all other functions.

R408.2.8.1 Single stage HVAC system controls. Thermostats controlling single stage

HVAC systems shall be provided with a *demand responsive control* that complies with one of the following:

1. Certified OpenADR 2.0a VEN, as specified under Clause 11, Conformance
2. Certified OpenADR 2.0b VEN, as specified under Clause 11, Conformance
3. Certified by the manufacturer as being capable of responding to a *demand response signal* from a certified OpenADR 2.0b VEN by automatically implementing the control functions requested by the VEN for the equipment it controls
4. IEC 62746-10-1
5. The communication protocol required by a controlling entity, such as a utility or service provider, to participate in an automated demand response program
6. The physical configuration and communication protocol of CTA 2045-A or CTA-2045-B

R408.2.8.2 Variable capacity and two stage HVAC system controls. Thermostats controlling variable capacity and two stage HVAC systems shall be provided with a *demand responsive control* that complies with the communication and performance requirements of AHRI 1380.

R408.2.9 Opaque walls. For buildings in climate zones 4 and 5, the maximum U-factor of 0.060 shall be permitted to be used for wood frame walls for compliance with Table R402.1.2 where complying with one or more of the following:

1. Primary space heating is provided by a heat pump that meets one of the efficiencies in R408.2.2.
2. All installed water heaters are heat pumps that meet one of the efficiencies in R408.2.3.
3. In addition to the number of credits required by Section R408.2, three additional credits are achieved.
4. *Renewable energy resources* are installed to meet the requirements of R408.2.7.

R408.2.10 Whole home lighting control. The *dwelling unit* shall have a switch by the main entrance that turns off all the permanently installed interior lighting or have a lighting control system that has the capability to turn off all permanently installed interior lighting from remote locations.

Exceptions:

1. Up to 5 percent of the total lighting power may remain uncontrolled.
2. Spaces where lighting is controlled by a count-down timer or *occupant sensor control*.

R408.2.11 Higher efficacy lighting. All spaces shall be provided with hard wired lighting with a lamp efficacy of 90 lm/W or a luminaire efficacy of 55 lm/W.

Exception: Closets and other storage spaces.

CHAPTER 5 [RE] EXISTING BUILDINGS

User note:

About this chapter: Many buildings are renovated or altered in numerous ways that could affect the energy use of the building as a whole. **Chapter 5** requires the application of certain parts of **Chapter 4** in order to maintain, if not improve, the conservation of energy by the renovated or altered building.

SECTION R501 GENERAL

R501.1 Scope. The provisions of this chapter shall control the *alteration, repair, addition* and change of occupancy of existing *buildings* and structures.

R501.1.1 General. Except as specified in this chapter, this code shall not be used to require the removal, *alteration* or abandonment of, nor prevent the continued use and maintenance of, an existing *building* or *building* system lawfully in existence at the time of adoption of this code. Unaltered portions of the existing *building* or *building* supply system shall not be required to comply with this code.

R501.2 Compliance. *Additions, alterations, repairs* or changes of occupancy to, or relocation of, an existing *building, building* system or portion thereof shall comply with **Section R502, R503, R504** or **R505**, respectively, in this code and the provisions for *alterations, repairs, additions, and changes of occupancy or relocation, respectively, in the International Residential Code, International Building Code, International Existing Building Code, International Fire Code, International Fuel Gas Code, International Mechanical Code, International Plumbing Code, International Property Maintenance Code, International Private Sewage Disposal Code* and NFPA 70 as applicable. Changes where unconditioned space is changed to *conditioned space* shall comply with ~~Section R502~~ **Section R501.6**.

R501.3 Maintenance. *Buildings* and structures, and parts thereof, shall be maintained in a safe and sanitary condition. Devices and systems that are required by this code shall be maintained in conformance to the code edition under which installed. The owner or the owner's authorized agent shall be responsible for the maintenance of *buildings* and structures. The requirements of this chapter shall not provide the basis for removal or abrogation of energy conservation, fire protection and safety systems and devices in existing structures.

~~**R501.4**~~**R501.7 Compliance.** ~~*Alterations, repairs, additions* and changes of occupancy to, or relocation of, existing buildings and structures shall comply with the provisions for *alterations, repairs, additions* and changes of occupancy or relocation, respectively, in this code and the *International Residential Code, International Building Code, International Existing Building Code, International Fire Code, International Fuel Gas Code, International Mechanical Code, International Plumbing Code, International Property Maintenance Code, International Private Sewage Disposal Code* and NFPA 70.~~

~~**R501.5**~~**R501.4 New and replacement materials.** Except as otherwise required or permitted by this code, materials permitted by the applicable code for new construction shall be used. Like materials shall be permitted for *repairs*, provided that hazards to life, health or property are not created. Hazardous materials shall not be used where the code for new construction would not allow their use in *buildings* of similar occupancy, purpose and location.

~~**R501.6**~~**R501.5 Historic buildings.** Provisions of this code relating to the construction, *repair, alteration, restoration* and movement of structures, and *change of occupancy* shall not be mandatory for *historic buildings* provided that a report has been submitted to the *code official* and

signed by the owner, a *registered design professional*, or a representative of the State Historic Preservation Office or the historic preservation authority having jurisdiction, demonstrating that compliance with that provision would threaten, degrade or destroy the historic form, fabric or function of the *building*.

R501.7R501.6 Change in space conditioning. Any unconditioned or low-energy space that is altered to become *conditioned space* shall be required to be brought into full compliance with this code **Section R502**.

Exception: Where the simulated performance option in Section R405 is used to comply with this section, the annual *energy cost* of the *proposed design* is permitted to be 110 percent of the annual *energy cost* otherwise allowed by Section R405.2.

SECTION R502 ADDITIONS

R502.1 General. *Additions* to an existing *building*, *building* system or portion thereof shall conform to the provisions of this code as those provisions relate to new construction. *Additions* shall not create an unsafe or hazardous condition or overload existing *building* systems.

R502.2 Prescriptive compliance. *Additions* shall comply with **Sections R502.2.1** through R502.2.5.

R502.2.1 Building thermal envelope. New *building thermal envelope* assemblies that are part of the *addition* shall comply with **Sections R402.1, R402.2, R402.4.1** through **R402.4.5, and R402.5**.

Exception: New *building thermal envelope* assemblies are exempt from the requirements of **Section R402.5.1.2**.

R502.2.2 Heating and cooling systems. HVAC ducts *ductwork* newly installed as part of an *addition* shall comply with **Section R403**.

Exception: Where ducts *ductwork* from an existing heating and cooling system are extended into an *addition* Section R403.3.5 and Section R403.3.6 shall not be required.

R502.2.3 Service hot water systems. New service hot water systems that are part of the *addition* shall comply with **Section R403.5**.

R502.2.4 Lighting. New lighting systems that are part of the *addition* shall comply with **Section R404.1**.

R502.2.5 Additional Efficiency Packages efficiency credit requirements for additions
Additions shall comply with **Section R506 sufficient measures for Table R408.2 to achieve not less than 5 credits**. *Alterations* to the *existing building* that are not part of the *addition*, but permitted with the *addition*, shall be permitted to be used to achieve this requirement.

Exceptions:

1. *Additions* that increase the *building's* total *conditioned floor area* by less than 25 percent.
2. *Additions* that do not include the *addition* or replacement of equipment covered in Sections R403.5 or R403.7.
3. *Additions* that do not contain **increase conditioned space**.

4. Where the *addition* alone or the existing *building* and *addition* together comply with Section R405 or R406.

SECTION R503 ALTERATIONS

R503.1 General. *Alterations* to any *building* or structure shall comply with the requirements of the code for new construction, without requiring the unaltered portions of the existing *building* or *building* system to comply with this code. *Alterations* shall be such that the existing *building* or structure is not less conforming to the provisions of this code than the existing *building* or structure was prior to the *alteration*.

Alterations shall not create an unsafe or hazardous condition or overload existing *building* systems. *Alterations* shall be such that the existing *building* or structure does not use more energy than the existing *building* or structure prior to the *alteration*. *Alterations* to existing *buildings* shall comply with **Sections R503.1.1** through R503.1.5.

R503.1.1 Building thermal envelope. Alterations of existing *building thermal envelope* assemblies shall comply with this section. New *building thermal envelope* assemblies that are part of the *alteration* shall comply with Section R402. ~~In no case shall the~~ The R-value of insulation shall not be reduced, nor ~~or~~ the U-factor of a *building thermal envelope* assembly be increased as part of a *building thermal envelope alteration* ~~except where the building after the alteration complies with Section R405 or R406.~~

Exception: The following alterations shall not be required to comply with the requirements for new construction provided that the energy use of the *building* is not increased:

1. Storm windows installed over existing *fenestration*.
2. *Roof recover*.
3. Surface-applied window film installed on existing single pane *fenestration* assemblies to reduce solar heat gain provided that the code does not require the glazing or *fenestration* assembly to be replaced.
4. ~~An existing building undergoing alterations that is demonstrated to be in compliance with Section R405 or Section R406~~ Roof replacement where *roof assembly insulation is integral to or located below the structural roof deck.*

R503.1.1.1 Fenestration alterations Where new *fenestration* area is added to an existing *building*, the new *fenestration* shall comply with Section R402.3. Where some or all of an existing *fenestration* unit is replaced with a new *fenestration* product, including sash and glazing, the replacement *fenestration* unit shall meet the applicable requirements for U-factor and SHGC as specified in **Table R402.1.3**. Where more than one replacement *fenestration* unit is to be installed, an area-weighted average of the U-factor, SHGC or both of all replacement *fenestration* units shall be an alternative that can be used to show compliance.

R503.1.1.2 Roof, ceiling, and attic alterations ~~Roof insulation~~ *Insulation shall comply* ~~complying~~ with Section R402.1. *Alternatively, where limiting conditions prevent compliance with Section R402.1, an approved design that minimizes deviation from Section R402.1 or an approved design shall be provided for the following alterations* ~~roof alteration conditions as applicable:~~

1. An alteration to roof-ceiling construction other than *reroofing* where existing there is no insulation located below the roof deck or an attic floor above conditioned space does not comply with Table R402.1.3.
2. Roof replacements or a roof for roofs with alteration that includes removing and replacing the roof covering where the roof assembly includes insulation entirely above the roof deck, Where limiting conditions require use of an approved design to minimize deviation from Section R402.1 for a Group R-2 building, a registered design professional or other approved source shall provide construction documents that identify the limiting conditions and the means to address them.
3. Conversion of an unconditioned attic space into conditioned space.
4. Replacement of ceiling finishes exposing cavities or surfaces of the roof-ceiling.

Exceptions: Where compliance with Section R402.1 cannot be met due to limiting conditions on an existing roof, the following shall be permitted to demonstrate compliance with the insulation requirements:

1. Construction documents that include a report by a registered design professional or other approved source documenting details of the limiting conditions affecting compliance with the insulation requirements.
2. Construction documents that include a roof design by a registered design professional or other approved source that minimize deviation from the insulation requirements.
3. Conversion of an unconditioned attic space into conditioned space, and
4. Replacement of ceiling finishes exposing cavities or surfaces of the roof-ceiling construction to which insulation can be applied.

R503.1.1.3 Above-grade wall alterations Above-grade wall alterations shall comply with the following requirements as applicable:

1. Where interior finishes are removed exposing wall cavities are exposed, and the existing cavity exposed cavities shall be filled with existing or new insulation complying with Section R303.1.4. New cavities created shall be insulated in accordance with Section R402.1 or an approved design that minimizes deviation from Section R402.1. An interior vapor retarder shall be provided where required in accordance with Section R702.7 of the *International Residential Code* or Section 1404.3 of the *International Building Code*, as applicable.
2. Where exterior wall coverings and fenestration are added or removed and replaced for the full extent of any exterior wall assembly, facade of one or more elevations of the building, continuous insulation shall be provided where required in accordance with Section R402.1 or the wall insulation shall be in accordance with an approved design; that minimizes deviation with from Section R402.1; Where specified, the continuous insulation requirement also shall comply with Section R702.7 of the *International Residential Code*. Replacement exterior wall coverings shall comply with the water resistance requirements of Section R703.1.1 of the *International Residential Code* or Section 1402.2 of the *International Building Code*, as applicable, and manufacturers' instructions.
 - 2.1 An R-value of continuous insulation not less than that designated in Table R402.1.3;
 - 2.2 An R-value of continuous insulation not less than that required to comply with Table R402.1.2; or
 - 2.3 An approved design that minimizes deviation from Section R402.1.

- ~~3. Where Items 1 and 2 apply, the entire wall assembly shall be insulated~~ **insulation shall be provided** in accordance with Section R402.1; and,
- 4.3. Where new interior finishes or *exterior wall* coverings are applied to the full extent of any exterior wall assembly of mass construction, insulation shall be provided ~~where required~~ in accordance with Section R402.1 or an approved design **that minimizes deviation from Section R402.1.**

~~Where any of the above requirements are applicable, the above-grade wall alteration shall comply with the insulation and water vapor retarder requirements of Section~~ **Sections R702.7 and R703.1.1** of the *International Residential Code* or Section 1404.3 of the *International Building Code*, as applicable. Where the exterior wall coverings are removed and replaced, the above-grade wall alteration shall comply with the water and wind resistance requirements of Section R703.1.1 of the *International Residential Code* or **Section 1402.2 of the International Building Code, as applicable.**

R503.1.1.4 Floor alterations Where **cavities in a floor or floor overhang are exposed** an alteration to a floor or floor overhang ~~exposes cavities or surfaces to which insulation can be applied~~ and the floor or floor overhang is part of the *building thermal envelope*, the floor or floor overhang shall **comply** be brought into compliance with Section R402.1 or an *approved design*. This requirement shall apply to floor alterations where the floor cavities or surfaces are exposed and accessible prior to construction.

R503.1.1.5 Below-grade wall alterations Where **an unconditioned** a below-grade space is changed to *conditioned space*, the below-grade walls **building thermal envelope walls enclosing such space** shall be insulated ~~where required~~ in accordance with Section R402.1. Where the below-grade space is *conditioned space* and **where building thermal envelope walls enclosing such space** a below-grade wall is **are** altered by removing or adding interior finishes, it **they** shall be insulated ~~where required~~ in accordance with Section R402.1.

R503.1.1.6 Air barrier ~~Building~~ **Altered building thermal envelope** assemblies altered in accordance with Section R503.1.4 shall be provided with an *air barrier* in accordance with Section R402.5. ~~The~~ **Such air barrier shall need** not be ~~required to be made~~ continuous with unaltered portions of the *building thermal envelope*. Testing requirements of Section R402.5.1.2 shall not be required.

R503.1.2 Heating and cooling systems. New heating and cooling **systems** and **ductwork duct systems** that are part of the *alteration* shall comply with Section R403 and this section. Alterations to **existing heating and cooling systems** and **ductwork duct systems** shall comply with this section.

Exception: Where ~~ducts~~ **ductwork** from an existing heating and cooling system ~~are~~ **is** extended to an *addition*.

R503.1.2.1 Ducts Ductwork HVAC ~~ducts~~ **ductwork** newly installed as part of an *alteration* shall comply with Section R403.

Exception: Where ~~ducts~~ **ductwork** from an existing heating and cooling system ~~are~~ **is** extended to an *addition*.

R503.1.2.2 System sizing New heating and cooling equipment that is part of an *alteration* shall be sized in accordance with Section R403.7 based on the existing *building*

features as modified by the *alteration*.

Exception: Where it has been demonstrated to the *code official* that compliance with this section would result in heating or cooling equipment that is incompatible with the remaining portions of the existing heating or cooling system.

R503.1.2.3 Duct system leakage Where an *alteration* includes any of the following, ~~ducts~~ **duct systems** shall be tested in accordance with Section R403.3.5 and shall have a total leakage less than or equal to 12.0 cubic feet per minute (339.9 L/min) per 100 square feet (9.29 m²) of *conditioned floor area*:

1. Where 25 percent or more of the registers that are part of the *duct system* are relocated.
2. Where 25 percent or more of the total length of all ~~ducts~~ **ductwork** in the *duct system* are relocated.
3. Where the total length of all ~~ducts~~ **ductwork** in the *duct system* is increased by 25 percent or more.

Exception: *Duct systems* located entirely inside a *conditioned space* in accordance with Section R403.3.2.

R503.1.2.4 Controls New heating and cooling equipment that are part of the *alteration* shall comply with Sections R403.1 and R403.2.

R503.1.3 Service hot water systems. New service hot water systems that are part of the *alteration* shall comply with **Section R403.5**.

R503.1.4 Lighting. New lighting systems that are part of the *alteration* shall comply with **Section R404.1**.

Exception: *Alterations* that replace less than 10 percent of the luminaires in a space, provided that such alterations do not increase the installed interior lighting power.

R503.1.5 Additional ~~Efficiency Packages~~ efficiency credit requirements for substantial improvements A ~~iterations~~ shall comply with Section R506 where the *alteration* contains replacement of two or more of the following: **Substantial improvements shall comply with sufficient measures from Table R408.2 to achieve not less than 3 credits.**

1. ~~HVAC unitary systems or HVAC central heating or cooling equipment serving the work area of the alteration.~~
2. ~~Water heating equipment serving the work area of the alteration.~~
3. ~~50 percent or more of the lighting fixtures in the work area of the alteration.~~
4. ~~50 percent or more of the area of interior surfaces of the building thermal envelope in the work area of the alteration.~~
5. ~~50 percent or more of the exterior wall area of the building thermal envelope, including vertical fenestration area~~ **building's exterior wall envelope.**

Exceptions:

1. *Alterations* that are permitted with an *addition* complying with Section ~~R502.3.5~~ **R502.2.5**.
2. *Alterations* that comply with Section R405 or R406.
3. **Substantial improvements** that do not include the addition or replacement of equipment covered in either Section R403.5 or Section R403.7.

SECTION R504 REPAIRS

R504.1 General. *Buildings*, structures and parts thereof shall be repaired in compliance with **Section R501.3** and this section. Work on nondamaged components necessary for the required *repair* of damaged components shall be considered to be part of the *repair* and shall not be subject to the requirements for *alterations* in this chapter. Routine maintenance required by **Section R501.3**, ordinary repairs exempt from *permit*, and abatement of wear due to normal service conditions shall not be subject to the requirements for *repairs* in this section.

R504.2 Application. For the purposes of this code, the following shall be considered to be *repairs*:

1. Glass-only replacements in an existing sash and frame.
2. *Roof repairs*.
3. *Repairs* where only the bulb, ballast or both within the existing luminaires in a space are replaced provided that the replacement does not increase the installed interior lighting power.

SECTION R505 CHANGE OF OCCUPANCY OR USE

R505.1 General. Any space that is converted to a *dwelling unit* or portion thereof from another use or occupancy shall comply with this ~~code~~ [chapter](#).

Exception: Where the simulated building performance option in **Section R405** is used to comply with this section, the annual *energy cost* of the *proposed design* is permitted to be 110 percent of the annual *energy cost* allowed by **Section R405.2**.

R505.1.1 Unconditioned space. Any unconditioned or low-energy space that is altered to become a *conditioned space* shall comply with ~~Section R502~~ [Section R501.6](#).

~~R506 ADDITIONAL EFFICIENCY PACKAGE OPTIONS~~

~~**R506.1 General** Where required in Section R502 or R503, the building shall comply with one or more additional efficiency package options in accordance with the following:~~

- ~~1. Enhanced [building thermal envelope](#) performance in accordance with Section R408.2.1.~~
- ~~2. More efficient HVAC equipment performance in accordance with Section R408.2.2.~~
- ~~3. Reduced energy use in service water heating in accordance with Section R408.2.3.~~
- ~~4. More efficient *duct* thermal distribution system in accordance with Section R408.2.4.~~
- ~~5. Improved air sealing and efficient *ventilation* system in accordance with Section R408.2.5.~~

CHAPTER 6 [RE] REFERENCED STANDARDS

User note:PLEASE NOTE THAT REFERENCES TO CODE SECTIONS HAVE NOT BEEN CORRELATED IN THIS DRAFT

About this chapter: This code contains numerous references to standards promulgated by other organizations that are used to provide requirements for materials and methods of construction. **Chapter 6** contains a comprehensive list of all standards that are referenced in this code. These standards, in essence, are part of this code to the extent of the reference to the standard.

This chapter lists the standards that are referenced in various sections of this document. The standards are listed herein by the promulgating agency of the standard, the standard identification, the effective date and title, and the section or sections of this document that reference the standard. The application of the referenced standards shall be as specified in **Section R112**.

ACCA

Air Conditioning Contractors of
America
1330 Braddock Place, Suite 350
Alexandria, VA 22314

ANSI/ACCA 2 Manual J—2016:: Residential Load Calculation
R403.7

ANSI/ACCA 3 Manual S—2023:: Residential Equipment Selection
R403.7

AHRI

Air-Conditioning, Heating, &
Refrigeration Institute
2111 Wilson Blvd, Suite 500
Arlington, VA 22201

AHRI 1380-2019 : Demand Response through Variable Capacity HVAC Systems in Residential and Small Commercial Applications
R408.2.10.2

AHRI 1430-2022 (I-P) : Demand Flexible Electric Storage Water Heaters
Table R403.5.5

AISI

American Iron and Steel Institute
25 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Suite
800
Washington, DC 20001

AISI S250-2422: North American Standard for Thermal Transmittance of Building Envelopes with Cold-Formed Steel Framing, with Supplement 1, dated 2022
R402.2.7

ANSI

American National Standards Institute
25 West 43rd Street, 4th Floor
New York, NY 10036

ANSI Z21.20-2005 (R2016): Automatic Gas Ignition Systems And Components
R403.1.3

ANSI/ASHRAE 140-2017 2020 : Standard Method of Test for the Evaluation of Building Energy Analysis Computer Programs
R406.7.1

ANSI/CTA 2045-B February 2021: Modular Communications Interface for Energy Management
Table R403.5.5

Z21-50-2019/CSA 2.22-19: Vented Decorative Gas Appliances
R403.13.1

Z21.88-2019/CSA 2.23-19: Vented Gas Fireplace Heaters
R403.13.1

ASHRAE

ASHRAE
180 Technology Parkway NW
Peachtree Corners, GA 30092

ASHRAE 193—2010(RA 2014):: Method of Test for Determining the Airtightness of HVAC Equipment
R403.3.6.1

ASHRAE Standard 51-16 / ANSI/AMCA Standard 210-16: Laboratory Methods Of Testing Fans For Certified Aerodynamic Performance Rating
ASHRAE-2021:: ASHRAE 105 - 2021 Standard Methods for Determining, Expressing, and Comparing Building Energy Performance and Greenhouse Gas Emissions
R405.2

ASHRAE—2001:: 2001 ASHRAE Handbook of Fundamentals
Table R405.5.2(1)

ASHRAE—2021:: ASHRAE Handbook of Fundamentals
R402.1.5

ASHRAE/IES 90.2-2018: Energy-Efficient Design of Low-Rise Residential Buildings, Including approved addenda (Addenda A (approved Jan 2021), B (June 2021) and D (February 2022))
RC101.2

ASME

American Society of Mechanical Engineers
Two Park Avenue
New York, NY 10016-5990

BPVC: Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code
R403.5.4

ASTM

ASTM International
100 Barr Harbor Drive, P.O. Box C700
West Conshohocken, PA 19428-2959

C1313/C1313M-13(2019): Standard Specification for Sheet Radiant Barriers for Building Construction Applications

R303.2.2

C1363—19:: Standard Test Method for Thermal Performance of Building Materials and Envelope Assemblies by Means of a Hot Box Apparatus

R303.1.4.1

C1371-15(2022) : Standard Test Method for Determination of Emittance of Materials Near Room Temperature Using Portable Emissometers

Table R408.2.1.3

~~C1549-2016~~**2022**: Standard Test Method for Determination of Solar Reflectance Near Ambient Temperature Using a Portable Solar Reflectometer

R408.2.1.3

C1743-2019: Standard Practice for Installation and Use of Radiant Barrier Systems (RBS) in Residential Building Construction

R402.3

D8052/D8052M-2022 : Standard Test Method for Quantification of Air Leakage in Low-Sloped Membrane Roof Assemblies

R.402.5.1

~~E283/E283M—2004(2012)~~**(2019)**:: Test Method for Determining the Rate of Air Leakage Through Exterior Windows, Skylights, Curtain Walls and Doors Under Specified Pressure Differences Across the Specimen

R402.5.5

E408-13(2019) : Standard Test Methods for Total Normal Emittance of Surfaces Using Inspection-Meter Techniques

Table R408.2.1.3

~~E779—2010(2018)~~**:2019**: Standard Test Method for Determining Air Leakage Rate by Fan Pressurization

R402.5.1.2

~~E903-2012~~**20**: Standard Test Method for Solar Absorptance, Reflectance and Transmittance of Materials Using Integrating Spheres (Withdrawn 2005)

R408.2.1.3

E1186-2022 : Standard Practices for Air Leakage Site Detection in Building Envelopes and Air Barrier Systems

R402.5.1

~~E1554/E1554M—E2013~~**:2013(2018)**: Standard Test Methods for Determining Air Leakage of Air Distribution Systems by Fan Pressurization

R403.3.7

~~E1827—: 2011(2017)~~**:2022**: Standard Test Methods for Determining Airtightness of Building Using an Orifice Blower Door

R402.5.1.2

~~E1918-06(2016)~~**21**: Standard Test Method for Measuring Solar Reflectance of Horizontal or Low-sloped Surfaces in the Field

R408.2.1.3

~~E1980- 44~~**19**: Standard Practice for Calculating Solar Reflectance of Horizontal and Low-sloped Opaque Surfaces

R408.2.1.3

E2178—2021a:: Standard Test Method for Determining Air Leakage Rate and Calculation of Air Permanence of Building Materials

R303.1.5

E3158-18: Standard Test Method for Measuring the Air Leakage Rate of a Large or Multizone Building

R402.4.1.2

CRRC

Cool Roof Rating Council
2435 North Lombard Street
Portland, OR 97217

ANSI/CRRC-S100-2021 : Standard Test Methods for Determining Radiative Properties of Materials

R408.2.1.3

CSA

CSA Group
8501 East Pleasant Valley Road
Cleveland, OH 44131-5516

AAMA/WDMA/CSA 101/I.S.2/A440—22:: North American Fenestration Standard/ Specification for ~~Windows, Doors and Unit Skylights~~ **windows, doors, and skylights**

R402.5.3

CAN/CSA-C439-18: Laboratory methods of test for rating the performance of heat/energy-recovery ventilators

Table R403.5.2

CSA B55.1—20:: Test Method for Measuring Efficiency and Pressure Loss of Drain Water Heat Recovery Units

R403.5.3

CSA B55.2—20:: Drain Water Heat Recovery Units

R403.5.3

P.4.1-2021: Testing method for measuring fireplace efficiency

R403.13.1

CTA

Consumer Technology Association
Technology & Standards Department
1919 S Eads Street
Arlington, VA 22202

ANSI/CTA-2045-B – 2018 : Modular Communications Interface for Energy Management

R408.2.10.1

DASMA

Door & Access Systems Manufacturers Association
1300 Sumner Avenue
Cleveland, OH 44115-2851

ANSI/DASMA 105—2020:: Test Method for Thermal Transmittance and Air Infiltration of Garage Doors and Rolling Doors
R303.1.3

DOE

US Department of Energy
1000 Independence Avenue SW
Washington, DC 20585

10 CFR, Part 430-2021: Energy Conservation Program for Consumer Products: Energy and Water Conservation Standards and their compliance dates.
Table R405.4.2(1)

AAMA FGIA

Fenestration & Glazing Industry Alliance (formerly American Architectural Manufacturers Association)
1827 Walden Office Square
1900 E. Golf Road
Suite 550
Schaumburg, IL 60173-4268

AAMA/WDMA/CSA 101/I.S.2/A440—22:: North American Fenestration Standard/ Specification for ~~Windows, Doors, and Skylights~~ windows, doors, and skylights
R402.5.3

HVI

Home Ventilating Institute
1740 Dell Range Blvd, Ste H, PMB 450
Cheyenne, WY 82009

916—18:: Airflow Test Procedure
Table R403.6.2

ICC

International Code Council, Inc.
500 New Jersey Avenue NW
6th Floor
200 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Suite 250
Washington, DC 20001

ANSI/APSP/ICC 14—2019:: American National Standard for Portable Electric Spa Energy Efficiency
R403.11

ANSI/APSP/ICC 15a—2021:: American National Standard for Residential Swimming Pool and Spa Energy Efficiency
R403.12

ANSI/RESNET/ICC 301—2019:: Standard for the Calculation and Labeling of the Energy Performance of Dwelling and Sleeping Units using an Energy Rating Index
R406.4

ANSI/RESNET/ICC 380—2019:: Standard for Testing Airtightness of Building, Dwelling

Unit and Sleeping Unit Enclosures; Airtightness of Heating and Cooling Air Distribution Systems, and Airflow of Mechanical Ventilation Systems
R402.5.1.2

IBC—21:: International Building Code®

R501.7 , R201.3 , R303.1.1 , R303.2 , R402.1.1

ICC 400—17:: Standard on the Design and Construction of Log Structures

R402.1

ICC 500—2020:: ICC/NSSA Standard for the Design and Construction of Storm Shelters

R402.6

IEBC—21:: International Existing Building Code®

R501.7

IECC—06:: 2006 International Energy Conservation Code®

R202

IECC—09:: 2009 International Energy Conservation Code®

R406.2

IECC—15:: 2015 International Energy Conservation Code®

Table R406.5

IFC—21:: International Fire Code®

R501.7 , R201.3

IFGC—21:: International Fuel Gas Code®

R501.7 , R201.3

IMC—21:: International Mechanical Code®

R501.7 , R201.3 , R403.3.5 , R403.3.6 , R403.6

IPC—21:: International Plumbing Code®

R501.7 , R201.3

IPMC—21:: International Property Maintenance Code®

R501.7

IPSDC—21:: International Private Sewage Disposal Code®

R501.7

IRC—21:: International Residential Code®

**R501.7 , R201.3 , R303.1.1 , R303.2 , R402.1.1 , R402.2.11.1 ,
R403.3.5 , R403.3.6 , R403.6**

IEC

IEC Regional Centre for North America
446 Main Street 16th Floor
Worcester, MA 01608

IEC 62746-10-1 - 2018: : Systems interface between customer energy management system and the power management system - Part 10-1: Open automated demand response
R408.2.10.1

IEEE

Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Inc.
3 Park Avenue, 17th Floor
New York, NY 10016-5997

515.1—2012:: IEEE Standard for the Testing, Design, Installation and Maintenance of Electrical Resistance Trace Heating for Commercial Applications
R403.5.1.2

NFPA

National Fire Protection Association
1 Batterymarch Park
Quincy, MA 02169-7471

70—20:: National Electrical Code
R501.7

NFRC

National Fenestration Rating Council, Inc.
6305 Ivy Lane, Suite 140
Greenbelt, MD 20770

100—2023:: Procedure for Determining Fenestration Products *U*-factors
R303.1.3

200—2023:: Procedure for Determining Fenestration Product Solar Heat Gain Coefficient and Visible Transmittance at Normal Incidence
R303.1.3

400—2023:: Procedure for Determining Fenestration Product Air Leakage
R402.5.3

OpenADR

OpenADR Alliance
111 Deerwood Road, Suite 200
San Ramon, CA 94583

OpenADR 2.0a and 2.0b – 2019: : Profile Specification Distributed Energy Resources
R408.2.10.1

~~APSP~~ PHTA

Pool & Hot Tub Alliance (formerly the APSP)
2111 Eisenhower Avenue, Suite 500
Alexandria, VA 22314

ANSI/APSP/ICC 14—2019:: American National Standard for Portable Electric Spa Energy Efficiency
R403.11

ANSI/APSP/PHTA/ICC 15a—2014/2021:: American National Standard for Residential Swimming Pool and Spa Energy Efficiency Spas—Includes Addenda A Approved January 9, 2013
R403.12

RESNET

Residential Energy Services Network,
Inc.
P.O. Box 4561
Oceanside, CA 92052-4561

ANSI/RESNET/ICC 301—2022:: Standard for the Calculation and Labeling of the Energy Performance of Dwelling and Sleeping Units using an Energy Rating Index--includes Addendum A Approved July 28, 2022; Addendum B Approved October 12, 2022 and Addendum C

R406.4 , R406.7.1 , R406.7.6

ANSI/RESNET/ICC 380—2022:: Standard for Testing Airtightness of Building, Dwelling Unit and Sleeping Unit Enclosures; Airtightness of Heating and Cooling Air Distribution Systems, and Airflow of Mechanical Ventilation Systems

R402.5.1.2 , R403.3.7

UL

UL LLC
333 Pfingsten Road
Northbrook, IL 60062

127—2011:: Standard for Factory-Built Fireplaces—with Revisions through February 2020
R402.5.2

515—2015:: Electric Resistance Trace Heating for Commercial Applications
R403.5.1.2

UL 2202-2009: Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging System - with revisions through February 2018

R404.7

UL2594-2016: Standard for Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment
R404.7

US-FTC

United States-Federal Trade
Commission
600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20580

CFR Title 16 (2015):: R-value Rule
R303.1.4

WDMA

Window and Door Manufacturers
Association
~~2025 M Street NW, Suite 800~~
[2001 K Street NW, Suite 300](#)
Washington, DC ~~20036-3309~~ [20006](#)

AAMA/WDMA/CSA 101/I.S.2/A440—22:: North American Fenestration Standard/ Specification for ~~Windows, Doors and Skylights~~ [windows, doors, and skylights](#)
R402.5.3

APPENDIX RA BOARD OF APPEALS—RESIDENTIAL

The provisions contained in this appendix are not mandatory unless specifically referenced in the adopting ordinance.

User note:

About this appendix: *Appendix RA provides criteria for board of appeals members. Also provided are procedures by which the board of appeals should conduct its business.*

SECTION RA101 GENERAL

RA101.1 Scope. A board of appeals shall be established within the jurisdiction for the purpose of hearing applications for modification of the requirements of this code pursuant to the provisions of **Section R110**. The board shall be established and operated in accordance with this section, and shall be authorized to hear evidence from appellants and the *code official* pertaining to the application and intent of this code for the purpose of issuing orders pursuant to these provisions.

RA101.2 Application for appeal. Any person shall have the right to appeal a decision of the *code official* to the board. An application for appeal shall be based on a claim that the intent of this code or the rules legally adopted hereunder have been incorrectly interpreted, the provisions of this code do not fully apply or an equally good or better form of construction is proposed. The application shall be filed on a form obtained from the *code official* within 20 days after the notice was served.

RA101.2.1 Limitation of authority. The board shall not have authority to waive requirements of this code or interpret the administration of this code.

RA101.2.2 Stays of enforcement. Appeals of notice and orders, other than Imminent Danger notices, shall stay the enforcement of the notice and order until the appeal is heard by the board.

RA101.3 Membership of board. The board shall consist of five voting members appointed by the chief appointing authority of the jurisdiction. Each member shall serve for **[INSERT NUMBER OF YEARS]** years or until a successor has been appointed. The board members' terms shall be staggered at intervals, so as to provide continuity. The *code official* shall be an ex officio member of said board but shall not vote on any matter before the board.

RA101.3.1 Qualifications. The board shall consist of five individuals, who are qualified by experience and training to pass on matters pertaining to building construction and are not employees of the jurisdiction.

RA101.3.2 Alternate members. The chief appointing authority is authorized to appoint two alternate members who shall be called by the board chairperson to hear appeals during the absence or disqualification of a member. Alternate members shall possess the qualifications required for board membership, and shall be appointed for the same term or until a successor has been appointed.

RA101.3.3 Vacancies. Vacancies shall be filled for an unexpired term in the same manner in which original appointments are required to be made.

RA101.3.4 Chairperson. The board shall annually select one of its members to serve as chairperson.

RA101.3.5 Secretary. The chief appointing authority shall designate a qualified clerk to serve as secretary to the board. The secretary shall file a detailed record of all proceedings, which shall set forth the reasons for the board's decision, the vote of each member, the absence of a

member and any failure of a member to vote.

RA101.3.6 Conflict of interest. A member with any personal, professional or financial interest in a matter before the board shall declare such interest and refrain from participating in discussions, deliberations and voting on such matters.

RA101.3.7 Compensation of members. Compensation of members shall be determined by law.

RA101.3.8 Removal from the board. A member shall be removed from the board prior to the end of their term only for cause. Any member with continued absence from regular meeting of the board may be removed at the discretion of the chief appointing authority.

RA101.4 Rules and procedures. The board shall establish policies and procedures necessary to carry out its duties consistent with the provisions of this code and applicable state law. The procedures shall not require compliance with strict rules of evidence, but shall mandate that only relevant information be presented.

RA101.5 Notice of meeting. The board shall meet upon notice from the chairperson, within 10 days of the filing of an appeal or at stated periodic intervals.

RA101.5.1 Open hearing. All hearings before the board shall be open to the public. The appellant, the appellant's representative, the *code official* and any person whose interests are affected shall be given an opportunity to be heard.

RA101.5.2 Quorum. Three members of the board shall constitute a quorum.

RA101.5.3 Postponed hearing. When five members are not present to hear an appeal, either the appellant or the appellant's representative shall have the right to request a postponement of the hearing.

RA101.6 Legal counsel. The jurisdiction shall furnish legal counsel to the board to provide members with general legal advice concerning matters before them for consideration. Members shall be represented by legal counsel at the jurisdiction's expense in all matters arising from service within the scope of their duties.

RA101.7 Board decision. The board shall only modify or reverse the decision of the *code official* by a concurring vote of three or more members.

RA101.7.1 Resolution. The decision of the board shall be by resolution. Every decision shall be promptly filed in writing in the office of the *code official* within 3 days and shall be open to the public for inspection. A certified copy shall be furnished to the appellant or the appellant's representative and to the *code official*.

RA101.7.2 Administration. The *code official* shall take immediate action in accordance with the decision of the board.

RA101.8 Court review. Any person, whether or not a previous party of the appeal, shall have the right to apply to the appropriate court for a writ of certiorari to correct errors of law. Application for review shall be made in the manner and time required by law following the filing of the decision in the office of the chief administrative officer.

APPENDIX RB SOLAR-READY PROVISIONS—DETACHED ONE- AND TWO-FAMILY DWELLINGS AND TOWNHOUSES

The provisions contained in this appendix are not mandatory unless specifically referenced in the adopting ordinance.

User note:

About this appendix: *Harnessing the heat or radiation from the sun's rays is a method to reduce the energy consumption of a building. Although **Appendix RB** does not require solar systems to be installed for a building, it does require the space(s) for installing such systems, providing pathways for connections and requiring adequate structural capacity of roof systems to support the systems.*

SECTION RB101 SCOPE

RB101.1 General. These provisions shall be applicable for new construction where solar-ready provisions are required.

SECTION RB102 GENERAL DEFINITION

SOLAR-READY ZONE. A section or sections of the roof or building overhang designated and reserved for the future installation of a solar photovoltaic or solar thermal system.

SECTION RB103 SOLAR-READY ZONE

RB103.1 General. New detached one- and two-family dwellings, and townhouses with not less than 600 square feet (55.74 m²) of roof area oriented between 110 degrees and 270 degrees of true north shall comply with **Sections RB103.2** through **RB103.8**.

Exceptions:

1. New residential buildings with a permanently installed *on-site renewable energy* system.
2. A building where all areas of the roof that would otherwise meet the requirements of **Section RB103** are in full or partial shade for more than 70 percent of daylight hours annually.

RB103.2 Construction document requirements for solar-ready zone. *Construction documents* shall indicate the *solar-ready zone*.

RB103.3 Solar-ready zone area. The total *solar-ready zone* area shall be not less than 300 square feet (27.87 m²) exclusive of mandatory access or setback areas as required by the **International Fire Code**. New townhouses three stories or less in height above *grade plane* and with a total floor area less than or equal to 2,000 square feet (185.8 m²) per dwelling shall have a *solar-ready zone* area of not less than 150 square feet (13.94 m²). The *solar-ready zone* shall be composed of areas not less than 5 feet (1524 mm) in width and not less than 80 square feet (7.44 m²) exclusive of access or setback areas as required by the **International Fire Code**.

RB103.4 Obstructions. Solar-ready zones shall be free from obstructions, including but not limited to vents, chimneys, and roof-mounted equipment.

RB103.5 Shading. The *solar-ready zone* shall be set back from any existing or new permanently affixed object on the building or site that is located south, east or west of the solar zone a distance

not less than two times the object's height above the nearest point on the roof surface. Such objects include, but are not limited to, taller portions of the building itself, parapets, chimneys, antennas, signage, rooftop equipment, trees and roof plantings.

RB103.6 Capped roof penetration sleeve. A capped roof penetration sleeve shall be provided adjacent to a *solar-ready zone* located on a roof slope of not greater than 1 unit vertical in 12 units horizontal (8-percent slope). The capped roof penetration sleeve shall be sized to accommodate the future photovoltaic system conduit, but shall have an inside diameter of not less than 1¹/₄ inches (32 mm).

RB103.7 Roof load documentation. The structural design loads for roof dead load and roof live load shall be clearly indicated on the *construction documents*.

RB103.8 Interconnection pathway. *Construction documents* shall indicate pathways for routing of conduit or plumbing from the *solar-ready zone* to the electrical service panel or service hot water system.

RB103.9 Electrical service reserved space. The main electrical service panel shall have a reserved space to allow installation of a dual pole circuit breaker for future solar electric installation and shall be labeled "For Future Solar Electric." The reserved space shall be positioned at the opposite (load) end from the input feeder location or main circuit location.

RB103.10 Construction documentation certificate. A permanent certificate, indicating the *solar-ready zone* and other requirements of this section, shall be posted near the electrical distribution panel, water heater or other conspicuous location by the builder or registered design professional.

APPENDIX RC ZERO NET ENERGY RESIDENTIAL BUILDING PROVISIONS

The provisions contained in this appendix are not mandatory unless specifically referenced in the adopting ordinance.

User Note:

About this appendix: This appendix provides requirements for residential buildings intended to result in zero net energy consumption over the course of a year. Where adopted by ordinance as a requirement, **Section RC101** and Section RC103.2, RC103.4, and RC103.5 are intended to replace **Section R401.2** Sections R401.1, R401.2, R406.2, R406.4, and R406.5, respectively. Where adopted by ordinance as a requirement, Sections R401.3 (Certificate), R406.1 (Scope), R406.3 (*Building Thermal Envelope*), R406.6 (Verification by approved agency) and R406.7 (Documentation) are not replaced..

SECTION RC101 GENERAL

RC101.1 General Scope. This appendix applies to new *residential buildings*.

~~RC101.2 Scope~~ [no change, same as R406.1]

~~RC101.3~~ **RC101.2 Application** *Residential buildings* shall comply with Section R406.

Exception: Additions, *alterations*, repairs and changes of occupancy to existing buildings complying with Chapter 5.

~~RC101.4~~ **RC101.3 Certificate** [no change, same as R401.3]

SECTION RC102 GENERAL DEFINITIONS

COMMUNITY RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITY (CREF). A facility that produces energy from *renewable energy resources* and that is qualified as a community energy facility under applicable jurisdictional statutes and rules.

FINANCIAL RENEWABLE ENERGY POWER PURCHASE AGREEMENT (FPPA) . A financial arrangement between a renewable electricity generator and a purchaser wherein the purchaser pays or guarantees a price to the generator for the project's renewable generation. Also known as a "financial power purchase agreement" and "virtual power purchase agreement."

PHYSICAL RENEWABLE ENERGY POWER PURCHASE AGREEMENT (PPPA). A contract for the purchase of renewable electricity from a specific renewable electricity generator by a purchaser of renewable electricity.

SECTION RC103 ZERO NET ENERGY RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS

RC103.1 Scope. [no change, same as R406.1]

~~RC103.1~~ **RC103.2 ERI compliance (Replace R406.2).** Compliance based on the ERI requires that the *rated design* meets one of the following:

1. The requirements of the sections indicated within Table R406.2 and Sections R406.3 through R406.7, or

2. The requirements of ASHRAE/IES Standard 90.2, including:
 - 2.1 The ERI requirements of ASHRAE/IES 90.2 Table 6-1 without the use of on-site power production (OPP),
 - 2.2 The requirements of Sections R402.4.1.1, R402.4.1.2, R406.3, R404.5 (Electric Readiness), R404.7 (Electric Vehicle Power Transfer Infrastructure), and
 - 2.3 The maximum ERI including adjusted OPP of Table RC103.53 determined in accordance with RC103.43.

~~RC103.2~~**RC103.3 Building thermal envelope.** [no change, same as R406.3]

~~RC103.3~~**RC103.4 Energy Rating Index zero net energy score.** The Energy Rating Index (ERI) not including *renewable energy resources* shall be determined in accordance with **RESNET/ICC 301**. The Energy Rating Index (ERI) including *renewable energy resources* shall be determined in accordance with ANSI/RESNET/ICC 301, except where electrical energy is provided from a community renewable energy facility (CREF) or contracted from a physical or financial renewable energy power purchase agreement that meets requirements of RC406.4.1, on-site power production (OPP) shall be adjusted in accordance with Equation RC-1.

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(Equation RC-1)

$$\text{Adjusted OPP} = \text{OPP}_{\text{kWh}} + \text{CREF}_{\text{kWh}} + \frac{\text{CL}_{\text{year}}}{15} (\text{PPPA}_{\text{kWh}} + \text{FPPA}_{\text{kWh}})$$

OPP_{kWh} = Annual electrical energy from *on-site renewable energy*, in units of kilowatt-hours (kWh).
 CREF_{kWh} = Annual electrical energy from a community renewable energy facility (CREF), in units of kilowatt-hours (kWh).

PPPA_{kWh} = Where not included as OPP, the annual electrical energy contracted from a physical renewable energy power purchase agreement, in units of kilowatt-hours (kWh).

FPPA_{kWh} = Where not included as OPP, the annual electrical energy contracted from a financial renewable energy power purchase agreement (FPPA), in units of kilowatt-hours (kWh).

~~RC103.3.1~~**RC103.4.1 Power purchase agreement Renewable energy contract.** The renewable energy shall be delivered or credited to the *building site* under an energy contract with a duration of not less than ~~40~~**15** years. The contract shall be structured to survive a partial or full transfer of ownership of the building property.

~~RC103.4~~**RC103.5 ERI-based compliance.** Compliance based on an ERI analysis requires that the *rated proposed design* and confirmed built dwelling be shown to have an ERI less than or equal to both values indicated in Table RC103.53 when compared to the *ERI reference design*.

TABLE RC103.3 **TABLE RC103.5**
MAXIMUM ENERGY RATING INDEX^a

CLIMATE ZONE	ENERGY RATING INDEX NOT INCLUDING RENEWABLE ENERGY	ENERGY RATING INDEX INCLUDING ADJUSTED OPP
0	42	0
1	42	0
2	42	0
3	42	0
4	42	0
5	42	0
6	42	0
7	42	0
8	42	0

~~RC103.5~~ **RC103.6** Verification by *approved* agency. [no change, same as R406.6]

~~RC103.6~~ **RC103.7** Documentation [no change, same as R406.7]

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APPENDIX RD ELECTRIC ENERGY STORAGE PROVISIONS

RD101 SCOPE

RD101.1 General These provisions shall be applicable for new construction where solar-ready measures or an onsite solar PV system are required.

RD102 GENERAL DEFINITION

RD102.1 ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEM (ESS). One or more devices, assembled together, capable of storing energy in order to supply electrical energy at a future time.

RD103 ELECTRICAL ENERGY STORAGE

RD103.1 Electrical energy storage. One- and two-family dwellings, townhouse units, and Group R-3 occupancies shall either comply with RD103.2 or RD103.3. Buildings with Group R-2 and R-4 occupancies shall comply with RD103.4.

RD103.2 Electrical energy storage energy capacity. Each building shall have a ESS with a minimum rated energy capacity of 5 kWh with a minimum of four ESS supplied branch circuits.

RD103.3 Electrical energy storage system ready. Each building shall be energy storage ready in accordance with Sections RB103.3.1 through RB103.3.4.

RD103.3.1 Energy storage system space. Interior or exterior space with dimensions and locations in accordance with Section R328 of the *International Residential Code* and Section 110.26 of NFPA 70 shall be reserved to allow for the future installation of an energy storage system.

RD103.3.2 System Isolation Equipment Space. Space shall be reserved to allow for the future installation of a transfer switch within 3 feet (305mm) of the main panelboard. Raceways shall be installed between the panelboard and the transfer switch location to allow the connection of an ESS.

RD103.3.3 Panelboard with backed-up load circuits. A dedicated raceway from the main service to a panelboard that supplies the branch circuits served by the ESS. All branch circuits are permitted to be supplied by the main service panel prior to the installation of an ESS. The trade size of the raceway shall be not less than one inch. The panelboard that supplies the branch circuits shall be labeled "Subpanel reserved for future battery energy storage system to supply essential loads."

RD103.3.4 Branch circuits served by ESS. A minimum of four branch circuits shall be identified and have their source of supply collocated at a single panelboard supplied by the ESS. The following end uses shall be served by the branch circuits:

1. A refrigerator.
2. One lighting circuit near the primary egress.
3. A sleeping room receptacle outlet.

RD103.4 Electrical energy storage system. Buildings with Group R-2 and R-4 occupancies shall comply with C405.15.

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APPENDIX RE ALL-ELECTRIC RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS

RE101 GENERAL

RE101.1 Intent The intent of this Appendix is to amend the *International Energy Conservation Code* to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and improve the safety and health of buildings by not permitting combustion equipment in buildings.

RE101.2 Scope This appendix applies to new residential buildings.

RE102 GENERAL DEFINITIONS

RE102.1 ALL-ELECTRIC BUILDING. A building that contains no combustion equipment, or plumbing for combustion equipment, installed within the building, or *building site*.

APPLIANCE. A device or apparatus that is manufactured and designed to utilize energy and for which this code provides specific requirements.

COMBUSTION EQUIPMENT. Any equipment or appliance used for space heating, *service water heating*, cooking, clothes drying and/or lighting that uses fuel gas or *fuel oil*.

EQUIPMENT. Piping, ducts, vents, control devices and other components of systems other than appliances that are permanently installed and integrated to provide control of environmental conditions for buildings. This definition shall also include other systems specifically regulated in this code.

~~**FUEL GAS.** A natural gas, manufactured gas, liquified petroleum gas or a mixture of these.~~

FUEL OIL. Kerosene or any hydrocarbon oil having a flash point not less than 100°F (38°C).

RE103 ALL-ELECTRIC RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS

RE103.1 Application Residential buildings shall be *all-electric buildings* and comply with ~~Section R401.2.5~~ and either Sections R401.2.1, R401.2.2, R401.2.3 or R401.2.4.

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APPENDIX RF ALTERNATIVE BUILDING THERMAL ENVELOPE INSULATION R-VALUE OPTIONS

RF101 GENERAL

RF101.1 General This appendix shall be used as a basis to determine alternative building assembly and insulation component R-value solutions that comply with the maximum U-factors and F-factors in Table R402.1.2 of this standard. Alternative building assembly insulation solutions determined in accordance with this appendix also shall comply with the requirements of Section R702.7 of the *International Residential Code*.

~~RF101~~ RF102 ABOVE-GRADE WALL ASSEMBLIES

~~RF101.1~~**RF102.1 Title Wood frame walls.** Wood frame *above-grade wall* assemblies shall comply with both the *cavity insulation* and continuous insulation Rvalues and framing conditions specified by Table RD101.1 where the tabulated U-factors are less than or equal to those needed for compliance with Section R402.1.2. For assemblies not addressed by the conditions of Table RD101.1, U-factors shall be determined by using accepted engineering practice or by testing in accordance with ASTM C1363 and shall be subject to approval by the *code official* in accordance with Section R102.1. Use of a lesser framing fraction than the indicated maximums in Table RD101.1 shall require wall framing layout details for each above-gradewall elevation to be included on *approved construction documents* and shall be inspected for compliance.

TABLE RF101.1 TABLE RF102.1
ASSEMBLY U-FACTORS FOR WOOD FRAME WALLS^{a,b,c,d,e}

Wood Stud Size and Spacing	Cavity Insulation Installed R-value	Continuous Insulation R-Value																		
		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	20	25	30
2x4 (12 inches o.c.)	0	0.324	0.239	0.190	0.158	0.136	0.119	0.106	0.096	0.087	0.080	0.074	0.069	0.064	0.060	0.057	0.054	0.042	0.035	0.030
	11	0.094	0.085	0.078	0.072	0.067	0.062	0.059	0.055	0.052	0.050	0.047	0.045	0.043	0.041	0.040	0.038	0.032	0.027	0.024
	12	0.090	0.082	0.075	0.069	0.064	0.060	0.057	0.054	0.051	0.048	0.046	0.044	0.042	0.040	0.039	0.037	0.031	0.027	0.024
	13	0.087	0.079	0.072	0.067	0.063	0.059	0.055	0.052	0.049	0.047	0.045	0.043	0.041	0.039	0.038	0.036	0.031	0.027	0.023
	14	0.084	0.076	0.070	0.065	0.061	0.057	0.054	0.051	0.048	0.046	0.044	0.042	0.040	0.038	0.037	0.036	0.030	0.026	0.023
	15	0.082	0.074	0.068	0.063	0.059	0.055	0.052	0.049	0.047	0.045	0.043	0.041	0.039	0.038	0.036	0.035	0.030	0.026	0.023
	16	0.079	0.072	0.066	0.062	0.058	0.054	0.051	0.048	0.046	0.044	0.042	0.040	0.038	0.037	0.036	0.034	0.029	0.025	0.022
	17	0.077	0.070	0.065	0.060	0.056	0.053	0.050	0.047	0.045	0.043	0.041	0.039	0.038	0.036	0.035	0.034	0.029	0.025	0.022
	18	0.076	0.069	0.063	0.059	0.055	0.052	0.049	0.046	0.044	0.042	0.040	0.038	0.037	0.036	0.034	0.033	0.028	0.025	0.022
	19	0.074	0.067	0.062	0.058	0.054	0.051	0.048	0.045	0.043	0.041	0.039	0.038	0.036	0.035	0.034	0.032	0.028	0.024	0.022
20	0.072	0.066	0.061	0.056	0.053	0.050	0.047	0.044	0.042	0.040	0.039	0.037	0.036	0.034	0.033	0.032	0.027	0.024	0.021	
2x6 (12 inches o.c.)	0	0.0313	0.230	0.183	0.153	0.131	0.115	0.102	0.093	0.084	0.078	0.072	0.067	0.063	0.059	0.055	0.053	0.041	0.034	0.029
	18	0.065	0.060	0.056	0.053	0.050	0.048	0.045	0.043	0.041	0.040	0.038	0.037	0.035	0.034	0.033	0.032	0.027	0.024	0.021
	19	0.063	0.059	0.055	0.052	0.049	0.047	0.044	0.042	0.040	0.039	0.037	0.036	0.035	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.027	0.024	0.021
	20	0.062	0.057	0.054	0.051	0.048	0.046	0.043	0.041	0.040	0.038	0.037	0.035	0.034	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.026	0.023	0.021
	21	0.060	0.056	0.053	0.050	0.047	0.045	0.043	0.041	0.039	0.037	0.036	0.035	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.026	0.023	0.021
	22	0.059	0.055	0.052	0.049	0.046	0.044	0.042	0.040	0.038	0.037	0.035	0.034	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.026	0.023	0.020
	23	0.058	0.054	0.051	0.048	0.045	0.043	0.041	0.039	0.038	0.036	0.035	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.029	0.025	0.022	0.020
	24	0.057	0.053	0.050	0.047	0.044	0.042	0.040	0.039	0.037	0.035	0.034	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.029	0.025	0.022	0.020
	25	0.056	0.052	0.049	0.046	0.044	0.042	0.040	0.038	0.036	0.035	0.034	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.029	0.028	0.025	0.022	0.020
	30	0.052	0.048	0.045	0.043	0.041	0.039	0.037	0.035	0.034	0.033	0.031	0.030	0.029	0.028	0.027	0.027	0.023	0.021	0.019
35	0.049	0.046	0.043	0.040	0.038	0.036	0.035	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.029	0.028	0.027	0.026	0.025	0.022	0.020	0.018	
2x8 (12 inches o.c.)	0	0.308	0.226	0.179	0.149	0.128	0.112	0.100	0.091	0.083	0.076	0.070	0.066	0.061	0.058	0.054	0.052	0.041	0.034	0.029
	20	0.056	0.053	0.050	0.047	0.045	0.043	0.041	0.039	0.038	0.036	0.035	0.034	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.026	0.023	0.020
	21	0.055	0.052	0.049	0.046	0.044	0.042	0.040	0.039	0.037	0.036	0.034	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.029	0.025	0.022	0.020
	22	0.053	0.050	0.048	0.045	0.043	0.041	0.039	0.038	0.036	0.035	0.034	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.029	0.025	0.022	0.020
	23	0.052	0.049	0.047	0.044	0.042	0.040	0.039	0.037	0.036	0.034	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.029	0.028	0.025	0.022	0.020
	24	0.051	0.048	0.046	0.044	0.042	0.040	0.038	0.037	0.035	0.034	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.029	0.028	0.024	0.022	0.019
	25	0.050	0.047	0.045	0.043	0.041	0.039	0.037	0.036	0.035	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.029	0.028	0.027	0.024	0.021	0.019
	30	0.046	0.044	0.041	0.039	0.038	0.036	0.035	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.029	0.028	0.027	0.026	0.026	0.023	0.020	0.018
	35	0.043	0.041	0.039	0.037	0.035	0.034	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.029	0.028	0.027	0.026	0.026	0.025	0.024	0.021	0.019	0.017
	40	0.041	0.039	0.037	0.035	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.029	0.028	0.027	0.026	0.025	0.024	0.024	0.023	0.020	0.018	0.017
2x4 (16 inches o.c.)	0	0.331	0.243	0.193	0.161	0.138	0.120	0.107	0.097	0.088	0.081	0.075	0.069	0.065	0.061	0.057	0.054	0.043	0.035	0.030
	11	0.092	0.083	0.076	0.071	0.066	0.061	0.058	0.054	0.052	0.049	0.047	0.045	0.043	0.041	0.039	0.038	0.032	0.027	0.024
	12	0.088	0.080	0.073	0.068	0.063	0.059	0.056	0.053	0.050	0.048	0.045	0.043	0.041	0.040	0.038	0.037	0.031	0.027	0.024
	13	0.084	0.077	0.071	0.066	0.061	0.057	0.054	0.051	0.049	0.046	0.044	0.042	0.040	0.039	0.037	0.036	0.030	0.026	0.023
	14	0.081	0.074	0.068	0.064	0.059	0.056	0.053	0.050	0.047	0.045	0.043	0.041	0.039	0.038	0.037	0.035	0.030	0.026	0.023
	15	0.079	0.072	0.066	0.062	0.058	0.054	0.051	0.049	0.046	0.044	0.042	0.040	0.039	0.037	0.036	0.034	0.029	0.025	0.023
	16	0.077	0.070	0.065	0.060	0.056	0.053	0.050	0.047	0.045	0.043	0.041	0.039	0.038	0.036	0.035	0.034	0.029	0.025	0.022
	17	0.075	0.068	0.063	0.058	0.055	0.052	0.049	0.046	0.044	0.042	0.040	0.039	0.037	0.036	0.034	0.033	0.028	0.025	0.022
	18	0.073	0.066	0.061	0.057	0.053	0.050	0.048	0.045	0.043	0.041	0.039	0.038	0.036	0.035	0.034	0.033	0.028	0.024	0.022
	19	0.071	0.065	0.060	0.056	0.052	0.049	0.047	0.044	0.042	0.040	0.039	0.037	0.036	0.034	0.033	0.032	0.027	0.024	0.021
20	0.069	0.063	0.059	0.055	0.051	0.048	0.046	0.043	0.041	0.039	0.038	0.036	0.035	0.034	0.032	0.031	0.027	0.024	0.021	
2x6 (16 inches o.c.)	0	0.322	0.236	0.187	0.156	0.133	0.117	0.104	0.094	0.086	0.079	0.073	0.068	0.063	0.059	0.056	0.053	0.042	0.034	0.029
	18	0.063	0.059	0.055	0.052	0.049	0.047	0.044	0.042	0.041	0.039	0.037	0.036	0.035	0.034	0.032	0.031	0.027	0.024	0.021
	19	0.061	0.057	0.054	0.051	0.048	0.046	0.043	0.042	0.040	0.038	0.037	0.035	0.034	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.027	0.023	0.021
	20	0.060	0.056	0.052	0.050	0.047	0.045	0.042	0.041	0.039	0.037	0.036	0.035	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.026	0.023	0.021
	21	0.058	0.055	0.051	0.048	0.046	0.044	0.042	0.040	0.038	0.037	0.035	0.034	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.026	0.023	0.020

	22	0.057	0.053	0.050	0.047	0.045	0.043	0.041	0.039	0.037	0.036	0.035	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.029	0.025	0.022	0.020	
	23	0.056	0.052	0.049	0.046	0.044	0.042	0.040	0.038	0.037	0.035	0.034	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.029	0.025	0.022	0.020	
	24	0.055	0.051	0.048	0.046	0.043	0.041	0.039	0.038	0.036	0.035	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.029	0.028	0.025	0.022	0.020	
	25	0.054	0.050	0.047	0.045	0.042	0.040	0.039	0.037	0.035	0.034	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.029	0.028	0.024	0.022	0.019	
	30	0.050	0.046	0.044	0.041	0.039	0.037	0.036	0.034	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.029	0.029	0.028	0.027	0.026	0.023	0.020	0.018	
	35	0.047	0.043	0.041	0.039	0.037	0.035	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.029	0.028	0.027	0.026	0.025	0.025	0.022	0.019	0.017	
2x8 (16 inches o.c.)	0	0.317	0.232	0.184	0.152	0.131	0.115	0.102	0.092	0.084	0.077	0.071	0.066	0.062	0.058	0.055	0.052	0.041	0.034	0.029	
	20	0.055	0.052	0.049	0.046	0.044	0.042	0.040	0.039	0.037	0.036	0.035	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.029	0.026	0.023	0.020	
	21	0.053	0.050	0.048	0.045	0.043	0.041	0.040	0.038	0.037	0.035	0.034	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.029	0.025	0.022	0.020	
	22	0.052	0.049	0.047	0.044	0.042	0.040	0.039	0.037	0.036	0.034	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.029	0.028	0.025	0.022	0.020	
	23	0.051	0.048	0.046	0.043	0.041	0.040	0.038	0.036	0.035	0.034	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.029	0.028	0.024	0.022	0.020	
	24	0.050	0.047	0.045	0.043	0.041	0.039	0.037	0.036	0.034	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.029	0.028	0.027	0.024	0.021	0.019	
	25	0.049	0.046	0.044	0.042	0.040	0.038	0.037	0.035	0.034	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.029	0.028	0.027	0.024	0.021	0.019	
	30	0.045	0.042	0.040	0.038	0.037	0.035	0.034	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.029	0.028	0.027	0.027	0.026	0.025	0.022	0.020	0.018	
	35	0.042	0.039	0.037	0.036	0.034	0.033	0.031	0.030	0.029	0.028	0.027	0.027	0.026	0.025	0.024	0.024	0.021	0.019	0.017	
	40	0.039	0.037	0.035	0.034	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.029	0.028	0.027	0.026	0.025	0.024	0.024	0.023	0.022	0.020	0.018	0.016	
2x4 (24 inches o.c.)	0	0.339	0.248	0.196	0.163	0.139	0.122	0.108	0.098	0.089	0.081	0.075	0.070	0.065	0.061	0.058	0.055	0.043	0.035	0.030	
	11	0.089	0.081	0.075	0.069	0.065	0.061	0.057	0.054	0.051	0.048	0.046	0.044	0.042	0.040	0.039	0.037	0.031	0.027	0.024	
	12	0.085	0.078	0.072	0.067	0.062	0.058	0.055	0.052	0.049	0.047	0.045	0.043	0.041	0.039	0.038	0.036	0.031	0.027	0.023	
	13	0.082	0.075	0.069	0.064	0.060	0.056	0.053	0.050	0.048	0.046	0.044	0.042	0.040	0.038	0.037	0.036	0.030	0.026	0.023	
	14	0.079	0.072	0.067	0.062	0.058	0.055	0.052	0.049	0.047	0.044	0.042	0.041	0.040	0.039	0.037	0.036	0.035	0.030	0.026	0.023
	15	0.076	0.070	0.065	0.060	0.056	0.053	0.050	0.048	0.045	0.043	0.041	0.040	0.038	0.037	0.035	0.034	0.029	0.025	0.022	
	16	0.074	0.068	0.063	0.058	0.055	0.052	0.049	0.046	0.044	0.042	0.040	0.039	0.037	0.036	0.034	0.033	0.028	0.025	0.022	
	17	0.072	0.066	0.061	0.057	0.053	0.050	0.048	0.045	0.043	0.041	0.039	0.038	0.036	0.035	0.034	0.033	0.028	0.024	0.022	
	18	0.070	0.064	0.059	0.055	0.052	0.049	0.046	0.044	0.042	0.040	0.039	0.037	0.036	0.034	0.033	0.032	0.027	0.024	0.021	
	19	0.068	0.062	0.058	0.054	0.051	0.048	0.045	0.043	0.041	0.039	0.038	0.036	0.035	0.034	0.032	0.031	0.027	0.024	0.021	
	20	0.066	0.061	0.056	0.053	0.050	0.047	0.044	0.042	0.040	0.039	0.037	0.036	0.034	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.027	0.023	0.021	
2x6 (24 inches o.c.)	0	0.330	0.241	0.191	0.159	0.136	0.119	0.106	0.095	0.087	0.080	0.074	0.068	0.064	0.060	0.057	0.053	0.042	0.035	0.030	
	18	0.061	0.057	0.054	0.051	0.048	0.046	0.044	0.042	0.040	0.038	0.037	0.036	0.034	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.027	0.024	0.021	
	19	0.060	0.056	0.052	0.050	0.047	0.045	0.043	0.041	0.039	0.037	0.036	0.035	0.034	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.026	0.023	0.021	
	20	0.058	0.054	0.051	0.048	0.046	0.044	0.042	0.040	0.038	0.037	0.035	0.034	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.026	0.023	0.020	
	21	0.057	0.053	0.050	0.047	0.045	0.043	0.041	0.039	0.037	0.036	0.035	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.029	0.025	0.022	0.020	
	22	0.055	0.052	0.049	0.046	0.044	0.042	0.040	0.038	0.037	0.035	0.034	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.029	0.025	0.022	0.020	
	23	0.054	0.051	0.048	0.045	0.043	0.041	0.039	0.037	0.036	0.035	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.029	0.028	0.025	0.022	0.020	
	24	0.053	0.049	0.047	0.044	0.042	0.040	0.038	0.037	0.035	0.034	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.029	0.028	0.024	0.022	0.019	
	25	0.052	0.048	0.046	0.043	0.041	0.039	0.038	0.036	0.035	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.029	0.028	0.027	0.024	0.021	0.019	
	30	0.047	0.044	0.042	0.040	0.038	0.036	0.035	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.029	0.028	0.027	0.026	0.025	0.022	0.020	0.018	
	35	0.044	0.041	0.039	0.037	0.035	0.034	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.029	0.028	0.027	0.026	0.025	0.025	0.024	0.021	0.019	0.017	
2x8 (24 inches o.c.)	0	0.326	0.238	0.188	0.156	0.133	0.117	0.104	0.094	0.085	0.078	0.072	0.067	0.063	0.059	0.056	0.053	0.042	0.034	0.029	
	20	0.054	0.051	0.048	0.046	0.043	0.042	0.040	0.038	0.037	0.035	0.034	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.029	0.025	0.022	0.020	
	21	0.052	0.049	0.047	0.044	0.042	0.041	0.039	0.037	0.036	0.035	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.029	0.029	0.025	0.022	0.020	
	22	0.051	0.048	0.046	0.043	0.041	0.040	0.038	0.037	0.035	0.034	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.029	0.028	0.024	0.022	0.020	
	23	0.050	0.047	0.044	0.042	0.041	0.039	0.037	0.036	0.034	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.029	0.028	0.028	0.024	0.021	0.019	
	24	0.048	0.046	0.044	0.041	0.040	0.038	0.036	0.035	0.034	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.029	0.028	0.027	0.024	0.021	0.019	
	25	0.047	0.045	0.043	0.041	0.039	0.037	0.036	0.034	0.033	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.029	0.028	0.027	0.027	0.023	0.021	0.019	
30	0.043	0.041	0.039	0.037	0.035	0.034	0.033	0.032	0.030	0.029	0.029	0.028	0.027	0.026	0.025	0.025	0.022	0.020	0.018		
35	0.040	0.038	0.036	0.034	0.033	0.032	0.030	0.029	0.028	0.027	0.027	0.026	0.025	0.024	0.024	0.023	0.021	0.018	0.017		
40	0.037	0.035	0.034	0.032	0.031	0.030	0.029	0.028	0.027	0.026	0.025	0.024	0.024	0.023	0.022	0.022	0.019	0.018	0.016		

For SI: 1 W/m²-K = 0.176 Btu/hr-ft²-F

- a. Linear interpolation of U-factors shall be permitted between continuous insulation and *cavity insulation* R-values. For non-standard stud spacing, use the next lesser stud spacing shown in the table.

- b. Table values are based on the parallel path calculation procedure as applicable to wood-frame assemblies and requires compliance with the following assembly conditions:
1. Maximum framing fractions of 28% (assumed for 12"oc studs), 25% (assumed for 16"oc studs), and 22% (assumed for 24"oc studs) with 4% attributed to headers in all cases. The framing fraction is the percentage of overall opaque wall area occupied by framing members.
 2. Wood framing materials or species with a minimum thermal resistivity of R-1.25 per inch.
 3. Exterior sheathing with a minimum R-value of R-0.62 as based on wood structural panel. For walls having no exterior sheathing or sheathing of lesser R-value, footnote d shall be used to adjust the tabulated U-factor.
 4. Siding of a minimum R-0.62 as based on the assumption of vinyl siding. For walls with siding having a lower R-value, footnote d shall be used to adjust the tabulated U-factor.
 5. Interior finish of a minimum R-0.45 based on 1/2" gypsum. For walls having no interior finish or a finish of lesser R-value, footnote d shall be used to adjust the tabulated U-factor.
 6. *Cavity insulation* with a rated R-value installed as required by the manufacturer's installation instructions to satisfy the indicated installed R-value, considering a reduced R-value for compression in an enclosed cavity where applicable.
 7. Continuous insulation specified in accordance with the indicated rated R-value and installed continuously over all exterior wood framing, including studs, plates, headers, and rim joists.
 8. Indoor air film R-value of 0.68 and outdoor air-film R-value of 0.17.
- c. Where any of the building materials that are continuous over the interior or *exterior wall* surface vary from those stated in footnote b, it is permissible to adjust the U-factor as follows: $U_{adj} = 1 / [1/U + R_d]$ where U is the U-factor from the table and R_d is the increase (positive) or decrease (negative) in the cumulative R-value of building material layers on the outside and inside faces of the wall, excluding the continuous insulation R-value if present.
- d. For a specific continuous insulation R-value not addressed in this table, the U-factor of the assembly shall be permitted to be determined as follows: $U_{adj} = 1/[1/U_{nci} + R_{ci}]$ where U_{nci} is the U-factor from the table for no continuous insulation (0 R-value column) and R_{ci} is the specific rated R-value of continuous insulation added to the assembly.
- e. For double wall framing, the U-factor shall be permitted to be determined by combining the U-factors for single wall framing from the table as follows: $U_{combined} = 1/[1/U_1 + 1/U_2]$ where U_1 and U_2 are the U factors from the table for each of the adjacent parallel walls in the double wall assembly.
- f. The use of insulation in accordance with this table does not supersede requirements in Section R702.7 of the International Residential Code for use of insulation and water vapor retarders to control water vapor.

~~RF101.2~~ **RF102.2 Mass walls.** Reserved.

~~RF101.3~~ **RF102.3 Cold-formed steel frame walls.** Reserved.

~~RF102~~ **RF103**

ROOF AND CEILING ASSEMBLIES. RESERVED.

~~RF103~~ **RF104**

FLOOR ASSEMBLIES. RESERVED.

~~RF104~~ **RF105**

BASEMENT WALLS. RESERVED.

~~RF105~~ **RF106**

CRAWLSPACE WALLS. RESERVED.

~~RF106~~ **RF107**

SLABS-ON-GRADE. RESERVED

APPENDIX RG 2024 IECC STRETCH CODE

About this appendix: This appendix provides requirements for residential buildings intended to result in lower energy consumption compared to adoption of the 2024 IECC Residential. Where adopted by ordinance as a requirement, Section RG101.1 language is intended to replace Section R405.2, Section RG101.2 language is intended to replace Section R406.5, and Section RG101.3 language is intended to replace Section R408.2. Where those sections of the code have been amended for other purposes, this Appendix is only intended to increase the number of credits required in the Prescriptive path, to increase the energy cost savings in the Simulated Performance path, and to lower the maximum ERI in the ERI path.

RG101 COMPLIANCE

RG101.1 (R405.2) Simulated building performance compliance Compliance based on *simulated building performance* requires that a *building* comply with the following:

1. The requirements of the sections indicated within Table R405.2.
2. The proposed total *building thermal envelope* thermal conductance TC, shall be less than or equal to the *building thermal envelope* thermal conductance TC using the prescriptive U-factors and F-factors from Table R402.1.2 multiplied by 1.08 in Climate Zones 0, 1, and 2, and 1.15 in Climate Zones 3 through 8 in accordance with Equation 4-2 and Section R402.1.5. The area-weighted maximum fenestration SHGC permitted in Climate Zones 0 through 3 shall be 0.30.

For Climate Zones 0-2: $TC_{UA}^{\text{Proposed design}} \leq 1.08 \times TC_{UA}^{\text{Prescriptive reference design}}$

For Climate Zones 3-8: $TC_{UA}^{\text{Proposed design}} \leq 1.15 \times TC_{UA}^{\text{Prescriptive reference design}}$

3. For each *dwelling unit* with one or more fuel burning appliances for space heating, water heating, or both, the annual *energy cost* of the *dwelling unit* shall be less than or equal to 70 percent of the annual *energy cost* of the *standard reference design*. For all other *dwelling units*, the annual *energy cost* of the *dwelling unit* shall be less than or equal to 75 percent of the annual *energy cost* of the *standard reference design*. For each *dwelling unit* with greater than 5,000 square feet (465 m²) of *living space* located above *grade plane*, the annual *energy cost* of the *dwelling unit* shall be reduced by an additional 5 percent of annual *energy cost* of the *standard reference design*. Energy prices shall be taken from an *approved source*, such as the Department of Energy, Energy Information Administration's State Energy Data System Prices and Expenditures reports. *Code officials* shall be permitted to require time-of-use pricing in *energy cost* calculations.

Exceptions:

1. The energy use based on source energy expressed in Btu or Btu per square foot of *conditioned floor area* shall be permitted to be substituted for the *energy cost*. The source energy multiplier for electricity shall be 2.51. The source energy multiplier for fuels other than electricity shall be 1.09.
2. The energy use based on site energy expressed in Btu or Btu per square foot of *conditioned floor area* shall be permitted to be substituted for the *energy cost*.

RG101.2 (R406.5) ERI-based compliance Compliance based on an ERI analysis requires that the *rated design* and each confirmed as-built *dwelling unit* be shown to have an ERI less than or equal to the applicable value indicated in Table R406.5 where compared to the *ERI reference design* as follows:

1. Where on-site renewables are not installed, the maximum ENERGY RATING INDEX NOT INCLUDING OPP applies.
2. Where on-site renewables are installed, the maximum ENERGY RATING INDEX INCLUDING OPP applies.

Exceptions:

1. Where the ERI analysis excludes OPP, the maximum ENERGY RATING INDEX NOT INCLUDING OPP shall be permitted.
2. For *buildings* with twenty or more *dwelling units*, where *approved* by the *code official*, compliance shall be permitted using the Average Dwelling Unit Energy Rating Index, as calculated in accordance with ANSI/RESNET/ICC 301.

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**TABLE RG101.2(R406.5)
MAXIMUM ENERGY RATING INDEX**

CLIMATE ZONE	ENERGY RATING INDEX NOT INCLUDING OPP	ENERGY RATING INDEX WITH OPP
0-1	46	27
2	46	26
3	45	24
4	48	32
5	49	37
6	48	39
7	47	43
8	47	43

RG101.3 (R408.2) Additional energy efficiency credit requirements. *Residential buildings* shall earn not less than twenty credits from not less than two measures specified in Table R408.2. Five additional credits shall be earned for *dwelling units* with more than 5,000 square feet (465 m²) of *living space* located above *grade plane*. To earn credit as specified in Table R408.2 for the applicable *Climate Zone*, each measure selected for compliance shall comply with the applicable subsections of Section R408. Each *dwelling unit* or *sleeping unit* shall comply with the selected measure to earn credit. Interpolation of credits between measures shall not be permitted.

APPENDIX RH OPERATIONAL CARBON RATING AND ENERGY REPORTING

RH101 GENERAL DEFINITIONS

CO₂e INDEX. A numerical integer value, calculated in accordance with ANSI / RESNET / ICC 301 that represents the relative Carbon Dioxide equivalence (CO₂e) emissions of a *rated design* as compared with the CO₂e emissions of the CO₂e reference design and where an Index value of 100 represents the CO₂e performance of the CO₂e reference design and an Index value of 0 (zero) represents a home that emits zero net CO₂e annually.

RH102 COMPLIANCE

RH102.1 Application Residential buildings shall comply with Section R406.

Exception: *Additions, alterations, repairs* and changes of occupancy to existing buildings complying with Chapter 5.

RH102.2 Certificate A permanent certificate shall be completed by the builder or other approved party and posted on a wall in the space where the furnace is located, a utility room or an approved location inside the building. Where located on an electrical panel, the certificate shall not cover or obstruct the visibility of the circuit directory label, service disconnect label or other required labels. The certificate shall indicate the following:

1. The predominant R-values of insulation installed in or on ceilings, roofs, walls, foundation components such as slabs, basement walls, crawl space walls and floors and ducts outside conditioned spaces.
2. U-factors of fenestration and the solar heat gain coefficient (SHGC) of fenestration. Where there is more than one value for any component of the *building thermal envelope*, the certificate shall indicate both the value covering the largest area and the area weighted average value if available.
3. The results from any required *duct system* and *building thermal envelope* air leakage testing performed on the building.
4. The types, sizes and efficiencies of heating, cooling and service water-heating equipment. Where a gas-fired unvented room heater, electric furnace or baseboard electric heater is installed in the residence, the certificate shall indicate “gas-fired unvented room heater,” “electric furnace” or “baseboard electric heater,” as appropriate. An efficiency shall not be indicated for gas-fired unvented room heaters, electric furnaces and electric baseboard heaters.
5. Where on-site photovoltaic panel systems have been installed, the array capacity, inverter efficiency, panel tilt and orientation shall be noted on the certificate.
6. For buildings where an Energy Rating Index score is determined in accordance with Section R406, the Energy Rating Index score and CO₂e Index, both with and without any on-site generation, shall be listed on the certificate.
7. The code edition under which the structure was permitted.
8. Where a *solar-ready zone* is provided, the certificate shall indicate the location, and dimensions.

RH102.3 ERI and CO₂e Index compliance Compliance based on the ERI and CO₂e Index requires that the *rated design* and as-built dwelling unit meet all of the following:

1. The requirements of the sections indicated within Table R406.2.
2. Maximum ERI values indicated in Table R406.5.
3. For all-electric dwelling units, maximum CO_{2e} Index of 65, not including OPP, determined in accordance with ANSI/RESNET/ICC 301. For mixed-fuel dwelling units, a maximum CO_{2e} Index established at the time of adoption of this Appendix by the authority having jurisdiction based on the CO_{2e} emissions data specific to the jurisdiction.

RH102.4 Confirmed compliance report for a certificate of occupancy A confirmed compliance report submitted for obtaining the certificate of occupancy shall be made site and address specific and include the following:

1. Building street address or other *building site* identification.
2. Declaration of ERI and CO_{2e} Index on title page and on building plans.
3. The name of the individual performing the analysis and generating the report.
4. The name and version of the compliance software tool.
5. Documentation of all inputs entered into the software used to produce the results for the ERI reference design and the as-built dwelling unit.
6. A final confirmed certificate indicating that the as-built building has been verified to comply with Sections R406.2, R406.4, and R406.5. The certificate shall report the energy features that were confirmed to be in the building, including: component-level insulation R-values or U-factors; results from any required *duct system* and *building thermal envelope* air leakage testing; and the type and rated efficiencies of the heating, cooling, mechanical ventilation, and service water-heating equipment installed. The certificate shall report the estimated dwelling unit energy use by fuel type, inclusive of all end-uses. Where *on-site renewable energy* systems have been installed on or in the building, the certificate shall report the type and production size of the installed system.

RH401 Application

RH401.2 Application. Residential buildings shall comply with Section N1106.

Exception: Additions, alterations, repairs and changes of occupancy to existing buildings complying with Sections N1109 through N1113.

RH401.3 Certificate. A permanent certificate shall be completed by the builder or other approved party and posted on a wall in the space where the furnace is located, a utility room or an approved location inside the building. Where located on an electrical panel, the certificate shall not cover or obstruct the visibility of the circuit directory label, service disconnect label or other required labels. The certificate shall indicate the following:

1. The predominant R-values of insulation installed in or on ceilings, roofs, walls, foundation components such as slabs, basement walls, crawl space walls and floors and ducts outside conditioned spaces.
2. U-factors of fenestration and the solar heat gain coefficient (SHGC) of fenestration. Where there is more than one value for any component of the *building thermal envelope*, the certificate shall indicate both the value covering the largest area and the area weighted average value if available.
3. The results from any required *duct system* and *building thermal envelope* air leakage testing performed on the building.

4. The types, sizes and efficiencies of heating, cooling and service water-heating equipment. Where a gas-fired unvented room heater, electric furnace or baseboard electric heater is installed in the residence, the certificate shall indicate “gas-fired unvented room heater,” “electric furnace” or “baseboard electric heater,” as appropriate. An efficiency shall not be indicated for gas fired unvented room heaters, electric furnaces and electric baseboard heaters.
5. Where on-site photovoltaic panel systems have been installed, the array capacity, inverter efficiency, panel tilt and orientation shall be noted on the certificate.
6. For buildings where an Energy Rating Index score is determined in accordance with Section N1106, the Energy Rating Index score and CO₂e Index, both with and without any on-site generation, shall be listed on the certificate.
7. The code edition under which the structure was permitted.
8. Where a *solar-ready zone* is provided, the certificate shall indicate the location, and dimensions.

RH406 ERI AND CO₂E INDEX COMPLIANCE

RH406.2 ERI and CO₂e Index compliance. Compliance based on ERI and CO₂e Index requires that the *rated design* and as-built dwelling unit meet all of the following:

1. The requirements of the sections indicated within Table N1106.2.
2. Maximum ERI values indicated in Table N1106.5.
3. For all-electric dwelling units, maximum CO₂e Index of 65, not including OPP, determined in accordance with ANSI/RESNET/ICC 301. For mixed-fuel dwelling units, a maximum CO₂e Index established at the time of adoption of this Appendix by the authority having jurisdiction based on the CO₂e emissions data specific to the jurisdiction.

RH406.7 Confirmed compliance report for a certificate of occupancy. A confirmed compliance report submitted for obtaining the certificate of occupancy shall be made site and address specific and include the following:

1. Building street address or other *building site* identification.
2. Declaration of ERI and CO₂e Index on title page and on building plans.
3. The name of the individual performing the analysis and generating the report.
4. The name and version of the compliance software tool.
5. Documentation of all inputs entered into the software used to produce the results for the ERI reference design and the as-built dwelling unit.
6. A final confirmed certificate indicating that the as-built building has been verified to comply with Sections N1106.2, N1106.4, and N1106.5. The certificate shall report the energy features that were confirmed to be in the building, including: component-level insulation R-values or U factors; results from any required *duct system* and *building thermal envelope* air leakage testing; and the type and rated efficiencies of the heating, cooling, mechanical ventilation, and service water-heating equipment installed. The certificate shall report the estimated dwelling unit energy use by fuel type, inclusive of all end-uses. Where *on-site renewable energy* systems have been installed on or in the building, the certificate shall report the type and production size of the installed system.

APPENDIX RI ON-SITE RENEWABLE ENERGY

RI101 GENERAL

RI101.1 Scope These provisions shall apply where *on-site renewable energy* is required.

RI102 GENERAL DEFINITIONS

POTENTIAL SOLAR ZONE AREA. The combined area of any *steep slope* roofs oriented between 90 degrees and 300 degrees of true north and any *low slope* roofs where the annual solar access is 70 percent or greater.

ANNUAL SOLAR ACCESS. The ratio of annual solar insolation with shade to the annual solar insolation without shade. Shading from obstructions located on the roof or any other part of the building are not included in the determination of annual solar access. Shading from existing permanent natural or person-made obstructions that are external to the building, including but not limited to trees, hills, and adjacent structures, are included in annual solar access calculations.

PHYSICAL RENEWABLE ENERGY POWER PURCHASE AGREEMENT. A contract for the purchase of renewable electricity from a specific renewable electricity generator to a purchaser of renewable electricity.

RI103 ON-SITE RENEWABLE ENERGY

RI103.1 General Buildings shall comply with Section N1101.2 and the requirements of this section.

RI103.1.1 Installed capacity An *on-site renewable energy* system shall be installed on, or at the site of, the building with a peak rated capacity, measured under standard test conditions, in accordance with one of the following:

1. For one- and two- family dwellings, townhouses and other Group R-3 occupancies, the peak rated capacity shall be no less than 2kW.
2. For Group R-2 or R-4 residential buildings, the peak rated capacity shall be no less than 0.75 W/ft² multiplied by the gross *conditioned floor area*.
3. Where a building includes both commercial occupancies and R-2 or R-4 occupancies required to comply with this Code, the peak capacity shall be no less than 0.75 W/ft² multiplied by the gross *conditioned floor area* of the Group R-2 and R-4 occupancies.

The capacity of installed *on-site renewable energy* systems used to comply with this Appendix shall be in addition to the total capacity of installed *on-site renewable energy* systems used to comply with all other requirements of this Code.

Exceptions:

1. A building with a permanently installed domestic solar water heating system sized with a solar savings fraction of not less than 0.5 based on the total *service water heating* load of all residential occupancies.
2. One and two family dwellings, townhouses and other Group R-3 Occupancies in *climate zone* 4C, 5C or 8.
3. Group R-2 or R-4 occupancies in *climate zone* 8.
4. Buildings where the potential solar zone area is less than 300 square feet (28 m²)

5. Buildings with a physical renewable energy power purchase agreement with a duration of not less than 15 years from a utility or a community renewable energy facility and for not less than 80 percent of the estimated whole-building electric use on an annual basis. This exception shall not apply where off-site renewable energy credits are used to comply with the requirements of Section N1108.
6. Buildings that demonstrate compliance in accordance with Section RI103.1.1.1

RI103.1.1.1 Alternate capacity determination Where compliance is demonstrated in accordance with Section N1105 *Simulated Building Performance* and the *proposed design* and *standard reference design* are adjusted in accordance with Items (1) and (2), the required capacity of the installed renewable energy systems shall be permitted to differ.

1. *Proposed Design*. Where applicable, the *proposed design* shall comply with one of the following:
 - 1.1 Where one or more systems providing *on-site renewable energy* are included in the *construction documents*, the systems shall be modeled in the *proposed design* with a design capacity not greater than the required capacity in accordance with Section RI103.1.1. A combination of *on-site renewable energy* systems shall be permitted to be included in the *proposed design*.
 - 1.2 Where no *on-site renewable energy* systems are specified in the *construction documents*, no *on-site renewable energy* systems shall be modeled in the *proposed design*.
2. *Standard Reference Design*. Where applicable, the *standard reference design* shall comply with one of the following:
 - 2.1 Where a *proposed design* includes one or more *on-site renewable energy* systems the same systems shall be modeled identically in the *standard reference design* except the total rated capacity of all systems shall be equal to the required capacity in accordance with Section RI103.1.1. Where more than one type of *on-site renewable energy* system is modeled, the total capacity of each system shall be allocated in the same proportion as in the *proposed design*.
 - 2.2 Where the *proposed design* does not include any *on-site renewable energy* systems, an unshaded photovoltaic system shall be modeled in the *standard reference design* in accordance with the performance criteria in Table RI103.1.1.1(1).

RI103.1.2 ERI With OPP Requirements. Where compliance is demonstrated in accordance with Section R406.5 using the Energy Rating Index With OPP, a project shall comply with the requirements of this Appendix if the rated *proposed design* and confirmed built dwelling are shown to have an ERI less than or equal to the values in Table RP103.1.2.

**TABLE RI103.1.2
MAXIMUM ENERGY RATING INDEX INCLUDING OPP**

CLIMATE ZONE	ENERGY RATING INDEX WITH OPP
0-1	35
2	34
3	33
4	40
5	43
6	43
7 & 8	46

RI103.1.3 ERI With OPP Requirements. Where compliance is demonstrated in accordance with Section N1106.5 using the Energy Rating Index With OPP, a project shall comply with the requirements of this Appendix if the rated *proposed design* and confirmed built dwelling are shown to have an ERI less than or equal to the values in Table RI103.1.3.

RI103.2 Renewable energy certificate (REC) documentation Where RECs are associated with renewable energy power production required by Section RI103.2 or RI103.3, documentation shall comply with Section N1104.4 Renewable energy certificate (REC) documentation.

