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Ventilation and Acceptable Indoor Air Quality in Low-Rise Residential Buildings

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FOREWORD

There is confusion in the industry regarding where ventilation system airflow measurements can be taken. This addendum provides guidance on this topic while aligning the language with the latest draft of BSR/RESNET/ICC 380, Standard for Testing Airtightness of Building Enclosures, Airtightness of Heating and Cooling Air Distribution Systems, and Airflow of Mechanical Ventilation Systems, which is expected to be finalized as an ANSI standard in the near future.

Note: In this addendum, changes to the current standard are indicated in the text by underlining (for additions) and strikethrough (for deletions) unless the instructions specifically mention some other means of indicating the changes.

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Revise Section 4.3 as shown.

4.3 Airflow Measurement. The airflow required by this section is the quantity of outdoor ventilation air supplied and/or indoor air exhausted by the mechanical ventilation system as installed and shall be measured according to the ventilation equipment manufacturer’s instructions, or by using a flow hood, flow grid, or other airflow measuring device at the mechanical ventilation fan’s inlet terminal(s)/grille(s), outlet terminal(s)/grille(s), or in the connected ventilation duct(s). Ventilation airflow of systems with multiple operating modes shall be tested in all modes designed to meet this section.

Revise Section 5.4 as shown.

5.4 Airflow Measurement. The airflow required by this section is the quantity of indoor air exhausted by the ventilation system as installed and shall be measured according to the ventilation equipment manufacturer’s instructions, or by using a flow hood, flow grid, or other airflow measuring device at the mechanical ventilation fan’s inlet terminal(s), outlet terminal(s), or in the connected ventilation duct(s).

Exception: The airflow rating, according to Section 7.1, at a pressure of 0.25 in. wc (62.5 Pa) may be used, provided the duct sizing meets the prescriptive requirements of Table 5.3 or manufacturer’s design criteria.
ASHRAE is concerned with the impact of its members’ activities on both the indoor and outdoor environment. ASHRAE’s members will strive to minimize any possible deleterious effect on the indoor and outdoor environment of the systems and components in their responsibility while maximizing the beneficial effects these systems provide, consistent with accepted standards and the practical state of the art.

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Through its Handbook, appropriate chapters will contain up-to-date standards and design considerations as the material is systematically revised.

ASHRAE will take the lead with respect to dissemination of environmental information of its primary interest and will seek out and disseminate information from other responsible organizations that is pertinent, as guides to updating standards and guidelines.

The effects of the design and selection of equipment and systems will be considered within the scope of the system’s intended use and expected misuse. The disposal of hazardous materials, if any, will also be considered.

ASHRAE’s primary concern for environmental impact will be at the site where equipment within ASHRAE’s scope operates. However, energy source selection and the possible environmental impact due to the energy source and energy transportation will be considered where possible. Recommendations concerning energy source selection should be made by its members.