

ASHRAE Technical FAQ

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Question Where does ASHRAE recommend that a vapor barrier be installed in the wall?

Answer The [2013 ASHRAE Handbook - Fundamentals](#) provides engineering information related to water vapor retarders in buildings in Chapter [F25](#). The proper placement of vapor barriers depends on climate and building envelope construction. Because these recommendations are not simple, a careful reading of this material is required for thorough understanding.

The handbook and the other ASHRAE publications may be purchased and/or individual chapters of the handbook may be purchased and downloaded on-line at our website, www.ashrae.org or by calling 1-800-527-4723 in the USA and Canada or 1-404-636-8400 worldwide.

ASHRAE Pubs [2013 ASHRAE Handbook - Fundamentals](#), Chapter [F25](#)

Topic References moisture, humidity, vapor, vapor barrier, vapor retarder, insulation, wall, condensation

	Cognizant ASHRAE Committees	Refer to Organization
1	TC 4.4	
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