

# ADDENDA

ANSI/ASHRAE Addendum d to ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 15-2019

# Safety Standard for Refrigeration Systems

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# FOREWORD

Addendum d revises the scope of the standard to clarify that it does not apply to residential refrigeration systems covered by ASHRAE Standard 15.2. This change in scope coincides with the publication of ASHRAE Standard 15.2.

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

# Addendum d to Standard 15-2019

Modify Section 2 as shown. The remainder of Section 2 remains unchanged.

# 2. SCOPE

**2.1** This standard establishes safeguards for life, limb, health, and property and prescribes safety requirements.

- 2.2 This standard applies to
- a. the design, construction, test, installation, operation, and inspection of mechanical and absorption refrigeration systems, including heat pump systems used in stationary applications;
- b. modifications, including replacement of parts or components if they are not identical in function and capacity; and
- c. substitutions of refrigerant having a different designation.

2.3 This standard does not apply to refrigeration systems using ammonia (R-717) as the refrigerant.

**2.4** This standard does not apply to residential refrigeration systems serving only a single dwelling unit or sleeping unit complying with ASHRAE Standard 15.2.

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