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FOREWORD

Addendum j deletes the current Jurisdictional Option (JO) provisions in Standard 189.1 and adds a mandatory requirement to follow the requirements in ASHRAE Standard 90.1. Published Addendums to ASHRAE Standard 90.1-2019 makes several technical improvements in the requirements for cool walls. Addendums incorporated requirements addressing solar reflectance of walls in a manner that removes the term “solar reflectance index” (SRI) for walls and replaces it with the more accurate term “solar reflectance” (SR) and the corresponding ASTM test methods. It deletes the option for vegetation to provide shading, recognizing plants are not durable and unlikely to last the life of the building, and modifies the climate zones to reflect effectiveness of cool-wall strategies.

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.

Addendum j to Standard 189.1-2020

Revise Section 5.3.5.2 as shown.

5.3.5.2 [JO]-Walls. Building projects shall comply with the provisions of ASHRAE/IES Standard 90.1, Section 5.5.3.2.2. Above-grade building walls and retaining walls shall be shaded in accordance with this section. The building is allowed to be rotated up to 45 degrees to the nearest cardinal orientation for purposes of calculations and showing compliance. Compliance with this section shall be achieved through the use of shade-providing plants, man-made structures, existing buildings, hillsides, permanent building projections, on-site renewable energy systems, or a combination of these, using the following criteria:

a. Shade shall be provided on at least 30% of the east and west above-grade walls and retaining walls from grade level to a height of 20 ft (6 m) above grade, or the top of the exterior wall, whichever is less. Shade coverage shall be calculated at 10 a.m. for the east walls and 3 p.m. for the west walls on the summer solstice.

b. Where shading is provided by vegetation, such vegetation shall be existing trees and vegetation or new biodiverse plantings of native plants and adapted plants. Such planting shall occur prior to the final approval by the AHJ or in accordance with a contract established to require planting no later than 12 months after the final approval by the AHJ so as to provide the required shade no later than ten years after the final approval. Vegetation shall be appropriately sized, selected, planted, and maintained so that it does not interfere with overhead or underground utilities. Trees shall be placed a minimum of 5 ft (1.5 m) from and within 50 ft (15 m) of the building or retaining wall.

Exceptions to 5.3.5.2:

1. The requirements of this section are satisfied if 75% or more of the opaque wall surfaces on the east and west have a minimum SRI of 29. Each wall is allowed to be considered separately for this exception.

2. East wall shading is not required for buildings located in Climate Zones 5, 6, 7, and 8.

West wall shading is not required for buildings located in Climate Zones 7 and 8.
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.

ASHRAE’s short-range goal is to ensure that the systems and components within its scope do not impact the indoor and outdoor environment to a greater extent than specified by the Standards and Guidelines as established by itself and other responsible bodies.

As an ongoing goal, ASHRAE will, through its Standards Committee and extensive Technical Committee structure, continue to generate up-to-date Standards and Guidelines where appropriate and adopt, recommend, and promote those new and revised Standards developed by other responsible organizations.

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

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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.
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