

ADDENDA

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# Thermal Environmental Conditions for Human Occupancy

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# FOREWORD

Addendum g makes changes to the definition of the SET temperature and to the SET code to align with international standards.

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# Addendum g to Standard 55-2020

Revise Section 3 as shown. The remainder of Section 3 is unchanged.

*temperature, standard effective (SET):* the temperature of an imaginary a hypothetical isothermal environment at 50% rh, <0.1 m/s (20 fpm) average air speed  $V_a$ , and  $\overline{t_r} = t_a$ , in which the total heat loss from the skin of an imaginary occupant with an activity level of 1.0 met and a clothing level of 0.6 clo-wearing clothing, standardized for the activity concerned, is the same as that from a person in the actual environment with actual clothing and activity level.

### Revise Table D-1 as shown.

Table D-1	Validation	Table fo	r SET	Computer	Model
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Temperature		MRT		Air Speed		RH			SET	
°C	°F	°C	°F	m/s	fpm	%	met	clo	°C	°F
25	77	25	77	0.15	29.5	50	1	0.5	<del>23.8</del> 23.3	74.9
0	32	25	77	0.15	29.5	50	1	0.5	12.3	54.1
10	50	25	77	0.15	29.5	50	1	0.5	17.0	<u>62.562.6</u>
15	59	25	77	0.15	29.5	50	1	0.5	19.3	66.7
20	68	25	77	0.15	29.5	50	1	0.5	21.6	<del>70.8</del> 70.9
30	86	25	77	0.15	29.5	50	1	0.5	26.4	<del>79.6</del> 79.5
40	104	25	77	0.15	29.5	50	1	0.5	<u>34.334.1</u>	<del>93.7<u>93.4</u></del>
25	77	25	77	0.15	29.5	10	1	0.5	23.3	<del>74.0<u>73.9</u></del>
25	77	25	77	0.15	29.5	90	1	0.5	<del>24.9</del> 24.8	<del>76.8</del> 76.6
25	77	25	77	0.1	19.7	50	1	0.5	24.0	75.2
25	77	25	77	0.6	118.1	50	1	0.5	21.4	70.5
25	77	25	77	1.1	216.5	50	1	0.5	20.3	<del>68.6<u>68.5</u></del>
25	77	25	77	3	590.6	50	1	0.5	18.8	65.8
25	77	10	50	0.15	29.5	50	1	0.5	15.2	<del>59.3<u>59.4</u></del>
25	77	40	104	0.15	29.5	50	1	0.5	31.8	89.2
25	77	25	77	0.15	29.5	50	1	0.1	20.7	69.3
25	77	25	77	0.15	29.5	50	1	1	27.3	81.1
25	77	25	77	0.15	29.5	50	1	2	32.5	<del>90.4<u>90.5</u></del>
25	77	25	77	0.15	29.5	50	1	4	<del>37.7<u>37.8</u></del>	<del>99.8<u>100.0</u></del>
25	77	25	77	0.15	29.5	50	0.8	0.5	23.3	73.9
25	77	25	77	0.15	29.5	50	2	0.5	<del>29.7</del> 26.0	<del>85.5<u>78.8</u></del>
25	77	25	77	0.15	29.5	50	4	0.5	<del>36.0<u>30.5</u></del>	<del>96.7<u>86.9</u></del>

Revise Normative Appendix D4 as shown below.

### D4. COMPUTER PROGRAM FOR CALCULATION OF SET:

The following code is one implementation of the SET calculation using JavaScript in SI units. <u>If the follow-ing code is used to calculate the cooling effect as described in Normative Appendix D, the input parameter CALCULATE\_CE should be set equal to "true." Alternatively, if it is used to calculate the SET temperature CALCULATE\_CE should be set to "false".</u>

```
FindSaturatedVaporPressureTorr = function(T) {
/*
   Helper function for pierceSET calculates Saturated Vapor Pressure(Torr)
   at Temperature T (°C)
* /
  return Math.exp(18.6686 - 4030.183/(T + 235.0));
}
pierceSET = function(TA, TR, VEL, RH, MET, CLO, WME, PATM, CALCULATE CE=false) {
   /*
      Input variables - TA (air temperature): °C, TR (mean radiant temperature): °C,
      VEL (air speed): m/s, RH (relative humidity): %, MET: met unit, CLO: clo unit,
      WME (external work): W/m<sup>2</sup>, PATM (atmospheric pressure): kPa
   * /
  var KCLO = 0.25;
                                             //kg
  var BODYWEIGHT = 69.9;
                                             //m<sup>2</sup>
  var BODYSURFACEAREA = 1.8258;
                                             //W/m^2
  var METFACTOR = 58.2;
  var SBC = 0.00000056697;
                                             //Stefan-Boltzmann constant (W/m<sup>2</sup>K4)
  var CSW = 170.0;
  var CDIL = \frac{120.0}{200};
  var CSTR = 0.5;
  var LTIME = 60.0;
  var VaporPressure = RH * FindSaturatedVaporPressureTorr(TA)/100.0;
  var AirVelocityAirSpeed = Math.max(VEL, 0.1);
  var TempSkinNeutral = 33.7;
  var TempCoreNeutral = 36.8;
  var TempBodyNeutral = 36.49;
  var SkinBloodFlowNeutral = 6.3;
  var TempSkin = TempSkinNeutral;
                                            //Initial values
  var TempCore = TempCoreNeutral;
  var SkinBloodFlow = SkinBloodFlowNeutral;
  var MSHIV = 0.0;
  var ALFA = 0.1;
  var ESK = 0.1 * MET;
  var PressureInAtmospheres = PATM * 0.009869;
  var RCL = 0.155 * CLO;
  var FACL = 1.0 + 0.15 * CLO;
  var LR = 2.2/PressureInAtmospheres; //Lewis Relation is 2.2 at sea level
  var RM = MET * METFACTOR;
  var M = MET * METFACTOR;
  if (CLO <= 0) {
      var WCRIT = 0.38 * Math.pow(AirVelocityAirSpeed, -0.29);
      var ICL = 1.0:
   } else {
      var WCRIT = 0.59 * Math.pow(AirVelocityAirSpeed, -0.08);
      var ICL = 0.45;
   }
  var CHC = 3.0 * Math.pow(PressureInAtmospheres, 0.53);
  var CHCV = 8.600001 * Math.pow((AirVelocity * PressureInAtmospheres), 0.53);
  var CHC = Math.max(CHC, CHCV);
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```
let heatTransferConvMet;
if (MET < 0.85) {
 heatTransferConvMet = 3.0;
} else {
 heatTransferConvMet = 5.66 * Math.pow(MET - 0.85, 0.39);
}
let CHC = 3.0 * Math.pow(PressureInAtmospheres, 0.53);
let CHCV = 8.600001 * Math.pow(AirSpeed * PressureInAtmospheres, 0.53);
CHC = Math.max(CHC, CHCV);
if (!CALCULATE CE) {
 CHC = Math.max(CHC, heatTransferConvMet);
}
var CHR = 4.7;
var CTC = CHR + CHC;
var RA = 1.0/(FACL * CTC);
                                          //Resistance of air layer to dry heat transfer
var TOP = (CHR * TR + CHC * TA)/CTC;
var TCL = TOP + (TempSkin - TOP) / (CTC * (RA + RCL));
/*
    TCL and CHR are solved iteratively using: H(Tsk - TOP) = CTC(TCL - TOP),
    where H = 1/(RA + RCL) and RA = 1/FACL*CTC
*/
var TCL OLD = TCL;
var flag = true;
var DRY, HFCS, ERES, CRES, SCR, SSK, TCSK, TCCR, DTSK, DTCR, TB, SKSIG, WARMS, COLDS, CRSIG,
   WARMC, COLDC, BDSIG, WARMB, COLDB, REGSW, ERSW, REA, RECL, EMAX, PRSW, PWET, EDIF, ESK;
for (var TIM = 1; TIM <= LTIME; TIM++) { //Begin iteration</pre>
      do {
            if (flag) {
                TCL OLD = TCL;
                CHR = 4.0 * SBC * Math.pow(((TCL + TR)/2.0 + 273.15), 3.0) * 0.72;
                CTC = CHR + CHC;
                RA = 1.0/(FACL * CTC); //Resistance of air layer to dry heat transfer
                TOP = (CHR * TR + CHC * TA) / CTC;
            }
            TCL = (RA * TempSkin + RCL * TOP)/(RA + RCL);
            flag = true;
        } while (Math.abs(TCL - TCL OLD) > 0.01);
        flag = false;
        DRY = (TempSkin - TOP) / (RA + RCL);
        HFCS = (TempCore - TempSkin) * (5.28 + 1.163 * SkinBloodFlow);
        ERES = 0.0023 * M * (44.0 - VaporPressure);
        CRES = 0.0014 * M * (34.0 - TA);
        SCR = M - HFCS - ERES - CRES - WME;
        SSK = HFCS - DRY - ESK;
        TCSK = 0.97 * ALFA * BODYWEIGHT;
        TCCR = 0.97 * (1 - ALFA) * BODYWEIGHT;
        DTSK = (SSK * BODYSURFACEAREA) / (TCSK * 60.0); //°C/min
        DTCR = SCR * BODYSURFACEAREA/(TCCR * 60.0); //°C/min
        TempSkin = TempSkin + DTSK;
        TempCore = TempCore + DTCR;
        TB = ALFA * TempSkin + (1 - ALFA) * TempCore;
        SKSIG = TempSkin - TempSkinNeutral;
                    if (SKSIG > 0) {
                         WARMS = SKSIG;
                         COLDS = 0.0;
}
                   else {
          WARMS = 0.0;
          COLDS = -1.0 \times \text{SKSIG};
    }
        CRSIG = (TempCore - TempCoreNeutral);
     if (CRSIG > 0) {
          WARMC = CRSIG;
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COLDC = 0.0;
}
     else {
          WARMC = 0.0;
          COLDC = -1.0 * CRSIG;
    }
        BDSIG = TB - TempBodyNeutral;
        WARMB = (BDSIG > 0) * BDSIG;
        SkinBloodFlow = (SkinBloodFlowNeutral + CDIL * WARMC)/(1 + CSTR * COLDS);
        SkinBloodFlow = Math.max(0.5, Math.min(90.0, SkinBloodFlow));
        REGSW = CSW * WARMB * Math.exp(WARMS/10.7);
        REGSW = Math.min(REGSW, 500.0);
        var ERSW = 0.68 * REGSW;
       //Evaporative resistance of air layer
        var REA = 1.0/(LR * FACL * CHC);
       //Evaporative resistance of clothing (icl=.45)
        var RECL = RCL/(LR * ICL);
        var EMAX = (FindSaturatedVaporPressureTorr(TempSkin) - VaporPressure)/(REA + RECL);
        var PRSW = ERSW/EMAX;
        var PWET = 0.06 + 0.94 * PRSW;
        var EDIF = PWET * EMAX - ERSW;
        var ESK = ERSW + EDIF;
        if (PWET > WCRIT) {
            PWET = WCRIT;
            PRSW = WCRIT/0.94;
            ERSW = PRSW * EMAX;
            EDIF = 0.06 * (1.0 - PRSW) * EMAX;
            ESK = ERSW + EDIF;
        }
        if (EMAX < 0) {
            EDIF = 0;
            ERSW = 0;
            PWET = WCRIT;
            PRSW = WCRIT;
            ESK = EMAX;
        }
        ESK = ERSW + EDIF;
        MSHIV = 19.4 * COLDS * COLDC;
        M = RM + MSHIV;
        ALFA = 0.0417737 + 0.7451833/(SkinBloodFlow + 0.585417);
    }
                               //End iteration
var HSK = DRY + ESK;
                               //Total heat loss from skin
var RN = M - WME;
                               //Net metabolic heat production
var ECOMF = 0.42 \times (RN - (1 \times METFACTOR));
if (ECOMF < 0.0) ECOMF = 0.0; //From Fanger
EMAX = EMAX * WCRIT;
var W = PWET;
var PSSK = FindSaturatedVaporPressureTorr(TempSkin);
                              //Definition of ASHRAE standard environment... denoted "S"
var CHRS = CHR;
if (MET < 0.85) {
var CHCS = 3.0;
+ else f
        var CHCS = 5.66 * Math.pow(((MET - 0.85)), 0.39);
        CHCS = Math.max(CHCS, 3.0);
    ╊
CHCS = 3.0 * Math.pow(PressureInAtmospheres, 0.53);
if (!CALCULATE CE && MET > 0.85) {
 CHCS = Math.max(CHCS, heatTransferConvMet);
if (CHCS < 3.0) CHCS = 3.0;
var CTCS = CHCS + CHRS;
var RCLOS = 1.52/((MET - WME/METFACTOR) + 0.6944) - 0.1835;
var RCLS = 0.155 \times RCLOS;
var FACLS = 1.0 + KCLO * RCLOS;
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var FCLS = 1.0/(1.0 + 0.155 * FACLS * CTCS * RCLOS);
var IMS = 0.45;
var ICLS = IMS * CHCS/CTCS * (1 - FCLS)/(CHCS/CTCS - FCLS * IMS);
var RAS = 1.0/(FACLS * CTCS);
var REAS = 1.0/(LR * FACLS * CHCS);
var RECLS = RCLS/(LR * ICLS);
var HD S = 1.0/(RAS + RCLS);
var HE S = 1.0/(REAS + RECLS);
//SET determined using Newton's iterative solution
var DELTA = .0001;
var dx = 100.0;
var SET, ERR1, ERR2;
var SET OLD = TempSkin - HSK/HD S;
                                         //Lower bound for SET
while (Math.abs(dx) > .01) {
      ERR1 = (HSK - HD S * (TempSkin - SET OLD) - W * HE S * (PSSK - 0.5 *
    FindSaturatedVaporPressureTorr(SET_OLD));
       ERR2 = (HSK - HD S * (TempSkin - (SET OLD + DELTA)) - W * HE S * (PSSK - 0.5 *
    FindSaturatedVaporPressureTorr((SET OLD + DELTA))));
        SET = SET OLD - DELTA * ERR1/(ERR2 - ERR1);
        dx = SET - SET OLD;
        SET OLD = SET;
    }
    return SET;
}
```

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