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Ventilation and Acceptable Indoor Air Quality

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FOREWORD

Using CO₂ to control outdoor air ventilation rates—demand controlled ventilation (DCV)—has become increasingly popular to achieve energy savings in buildings that have varying occupancy rates. DCV is also a mandatory requirement for densely occupied spaces in ASHRAE Standard 90.1, but the standard provides no details for how to implement DCV, nor does it specifically mention CO₂. The U.S. Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) uses CO₂ as an indicator of IAQ conditions, but it references Standard 62.1, Informative Appendix D, "Rationale for Minimum Physiological Requirements for Respiration Air Based on CO₂ Concentration," which was deleted in the 2019 edition of the standard because it contained outdated information that was widely misinterpreted. Specific requirements are therefore needed for how to use CO₂ concentration for DCV.

Addendum ab adds differential CO₂ concentration limits above ambient to Table 6-1 specifically for use with CO₂ DCV systems. The values were determined based on steady-state equations and

- Outdoor air ventilation rates from Table 6-1 based on the default occupant density and default air temperature and pressure
- Values of CO₂ generation rates based on activity level, gender, body mass, and age per ASTM D6245-2018¹ and Persily and de Jonge².
- Assumptions regarding activity level and the mix of gender, body size, and age in each space based on SSPC judgment
- Zone air distribution effectiveness (E_z) equal to 1.0, because the CO₂ in the space is what is being controlled, and the actual airflow delivery will automatically adjust for E_z less than or more than 1.0

CO₂ limits shown in Table 6-1 are the differential concentration above ambient. In recognition of the uncertainty due to the range of assumptions, and for ease of use, the resulting differential CO₂ concentration limits were then rounded to the nearest multiple of 300 ppm.

Ambient concentration can be determined with ambient CO₂ sensors but is allowed to be assumed to be 400 ppm for the following reasons:

- 400 ppm is a common assumption, e.g., see California Title 24 Energy Standards³ and Lawrence⁴.
- 400 ppm is conservative from a ventilation standpoint, as few areas have consistently lower average ambient concentrations.
- Using a fixed value avoids the first cost and recurring calibration costs of an ambient CO₂ sensor, which for hardwired room CO₂ sensors would have to be hardwired to each room CO₂ sensor.
- Automatic Background Calibration (ABC) logic, which is commonly used with commercial CO₂ sensors to automatically maintain calibration, uses 400 ppm as the ambient concentration targeted by the logic, so ambient concentration is effectively indicated as 400 ppm regardless of actual ambient concentration. Therefore, when CO₂ sensors with ABC logic are used, ambient concentration should always be assumed to be 400 ppm.

With respect to using steady-state concentration limits for DCV, ASHRAE RP-1547⁵ found that "CO₂ generation rate and odor generation rate are proportional, [so] the zone-to-discharge differential CO₂ concentration can be used as a signifier of human odors in a space". Taylor 2006⁶ also explains why using steady-state CO₂ concentration limits makes sense even though zone conditions are not steady-state:

$$V_{bz} = R_p P_z + R_a A_z \quad (1)$$

$$V'_{ot} = \frac{R_a A_z}{E_z - \frac{R_p (C_R - C_{OA})}{8400m}} \quad (11)$$

Both Equation 11 and Equation 1, from which it was derived, are based on an assumption of steady-state conditions. In non-steady-state conditions, typical of most real-world applications, CO₂ concentration will generally lag behind changes in the actual number of occupants in the zone and changes in ventilation airflow rates. However, using Equation 11 to control outdoor air rates is still valid because the rate of generation of CO₂ by occupants should be nearly proportional to the rate of bioeffluent generation; both are

generated at a rate proportional to the number of people and their activity level. It is bioeffluent (odor) concentration we are trying to control, and if the source strengths of CO₂ and bioeffluents are proportional, CO₂ concentration may be used as an indicator of bioeffluent concentration. Thus the steady-state assumption in Equation 11 is made not because the actual system is at steady-state but because the ventilation rate equation, Equation 1, is based on steady-state conditions. This steady-state relationship is simply being used to establish the relationship between CO₂ (odor) concentration and airflow set point in Equation 11. Therefore, while the rate of air supplied using Equation 11 will not exactly track the source strength of bioeffluents due to transient effects, it should maintain an acceptable bioeffluent concentration.

Note that the language of Sections 6.2.6.1.3.1 through 6.2.6.1.3.3 in this addendum was largely extracted from Title 24 Building Energy Efficiency Standards section 120.1(d)4.

Section 6.2.6.1.4 has been moved up to become Section 6.2.6.2 because it may be used with other dynamic controls (e.g., occupancy sensors) and not just DCV.

The exception to Section 6.2.6.1 is moved down to become an exception to Section 6.2.6.1.3, as it addresses use of CO₂ for DCV.

Some occupancies have CO₂ limits listed as “NA,” meaning DCV is not applicable and may not be used, in cases the SSPC did not think CO₂ DCV was appropriate for one or more of the following:

- Animal occupancies where CO₂ may be generated by animals other than humans so CO₂ will not track human bioeffluents
- Occupancies, such as laboratories, where occupant activities may be generating significant contaminants other than bioeffluents
- Health care occupancies where an unknown number of infectious individuals may be present

“Corridors (age 5 plus)” from Addendum a to ASHRAE Standard 62.1-2022 has been added editorially for clarity. As a space with no default occupant density, DCV does not apply.

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

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Modify Section 6.2.6.1 as shown. The Exception to 6.2.6.1 was moved to Section 6.2.6.1.3. The strike-through text in Section 6.2.6.1.3 was moved to Section 6.2.6.1.3.4 and modified as shown. Renumber existing sections accordingly.

6.2.6.1 Demand Controlled Ventilation (DCV). DCV shall be permitted as an optional means of dynamic reset.

Exception to 6.2.6.1: ~~CO₂-based DCV shall not be applied in zones with indoor sources of CO₂ other than occupants, or with CO₂ removal mechanisms, such as gaseous air cleaners.~~

6.2.6.1.1 For DCV ventilation zones in the occupied mode, breathing zone outdoor airflow (V_{bz}) shall be reset in response to current population. Current population estimates or indicators used in DCV control calculations shall not result in ventilation rates that are less than those required by the actual population

when averaged over ~~during any one hour~~ the time period determined in accordance with Section 6.2.5.2, or one hour, whichever is less.

6.2.6.1.2 For DCV ventilation zones in the occupied mode, breathing zone outdoor airflow (V_{bz}) shall be not less than the building component ($R_a \times A_z$) for the zone.

6.2.6.1.3 ~~Where CO₂ sensors shall be permitted to be~~ are used for DCV in accordance with the following subsections, the CO₂ sensors shall be certified by the manufacturer to be accurate within ± 75 ppm at concentrations of both 600 and 1000 ppm when measured at sea level at 77°F (25°C). Sensors shall be factory calibrated and certified by the manufacturer to require calibration not more frequently than once every five years. Upon detection of sensor failure, the system shall provide a signal that resets the ventilation system to supply the required minimum quantity of outdoor air (V_{bz}) to the breathing zone for the design zone population (P_z).

Exception to 6.2.6.1.3: CO₂-based DCV shall not be applied in zones with indoor sources of CO₂ other than occupants, or with CO₂ removal mechanisms, such as gaseous air cleaners.

6.2.6.1.3.1 CO₂ sensors shall be located in the space between 3 ft (0.9 m) and 6 ft (1.8 m) above the floor. There shall be at least one CO₂ sensor per ventilation zone and at least one per 5000 ft² (460 m²) of net occupiable floor area. Where DCV ventilation zones are comprised of more than one room, each room shall have a CO₂ sensor, and ventilation shall be controlled to the room requiring the most ventilation.

Exception to 6.2.6.1.3.1: Other locations for CO₂ sensors are permitted if the locations are demonstrated to be accurate in measuring average CO₂ concentrations in the space breathing zone.

6.2.6.1.3.2 Demand ventilation controls shall maintain zone CO₂ concentration less than or equal to C_{max} determined in accordance with Equation 6-12.

$$C_{max} = C_{amb} + \Delta C \quad (6-12)$$

where

C_{amb} = outdoor air CO₂ concentration determined in accordance with Section 6.2.6.1.3.3

ΔC = maximum CO₂ concentration above ambient concentration. It shall be equal to $\Delta C_{6.1}$ listed in Table 6-1 if the design occupancy used to calculate the zone design ventilation rate per Section 6.2 is equal to the default occupant density listed in Table 6-1.

Where the design occupancy used to calculate the zone design ventilation rate per Section 6.2 differs from the default occupant density listed in Table 6-1, ΔC in Equation 6-12 shall be the adjusted value determined in accordance with Equation 6-13:

$$\Delta C_{adj} = \Delta C_{6.1} \frac{R_p + \frac{R_a}{PD_{6.1}}}{R_p + \frac{R_a}{PD_{des}}} \quad (6-13)$$

where

ΔC_{adj} = adjusted CO₂ maximum above ambient CO₂ concentration, ppm, rounded to the nearest 100 ppm

$\Delta C_{6.1}$ = maximum CO₂ above ambient CO₂ concentration from Table 6-1, ppm

R_p = people outdoor air rate from Table 6-1, cfm/p (L/s/p)

R_a = area outdoor air rate from Table 6-1, cfm/ft² (L/s/m²)

$PD_{6.1}$ = default occupant density, number of people per unit area from Table 6-1, #/1000 ft²/1000 (#/100 m²/100)

PD_{des} = design occupant density, number of people per unit area, equal to P_z/A_z where P_z and A_z are determined in accordance with Section 6.2.1.1

Where “NA” is listed in Table 6-1, CO₂ DCV shall not be used.

Informative Note: Steady-state CO₂ concentrations are not only dependent on occupancy density, but also on activity level, gender, body mass, and age. The CO₂ values in Table 6-1 are based on assumptions of these values that are typical of the occupancy type. The activity level (met) has the greatest impact on the steady state CO₂ values. It is therefore possible that the differential CO₂ values in the space may exceed the concentrations listed in Table 6-1, even if the occupancy density and the ventilation rate meet the values listed in Table 6-1.

DCV controls shall maintain the zone ventilation rate at no less than the building component ($Ra \times Az$) when zone CO₂ concentration is at C_{amb} . Upon a rise in measured CO₂ levels above C_{amb} , ventilation shall be increased proportional to the difference between zone CO₂ concentration and C_{amb} . When the zone CO₂ concentration is equal to C_{max} , the minimum zone ventilation rate shall be equal to its design ventilation rate determined in accordance with Section 6.2 at design occupancy.

Exceptions to 6.2.6.1.3.2:

1. Zone and system ventilation rates are not required to be larger than the design ventilation rate required by Section 6.2 at design occupancy regardless of CO₂ concentration.
2. Other DCV control logic shall be permitted to be used where it can be demonstrated to comply with Section 6.2.6.1.1 under all expected operating conditions.

Informative Note: The CO₂ values in Table 6-1 are only for the purposes of implementing CO₂ DCV. They are not intended to be and should not be used as indicators of IAQ.

6.2.6.1.3.3 Outdoor air CO₂ concentration, C_{amb} , shall be determined by one of the following:

- a. CO₂ concentration shall be assumed to be 400 ppm without any direct measurement.
- b. CO₂ concentration shall be dynamically measured using a CO₂ sensor located within 4 ft (1.2 m) of the outdoor air intake.

6.2.6.1.3.4 CO₂ sensors shall be certified by the manufacturer to be accurate within ± 75 ppm at concentrations of 600, 1000, and 2500 ppm when measured at sea level at 77°F (25°C). Sensors shall be factory calibrated and certified by the manufacturer to require calibration not more frequently than once every five years. Upon detection of sensor failure, the system shall provide a signal that resets the ventilation system to supply the required minimum quantity of outdoor air (V_{bz}) to the breathing zone for the design zone population (P_z).

6.2.6.1.3.5 CO₂ sensors that sequentially sample air from multiple spaces shall sample each space no less than once every five minutes.

6.2.6.1.4 For DCV zones in the occupied standby mode, breathing zone outdoor airflow shall be permitted to be reduced to zero for the occupancy categories indicated "OS" in Table 6-1, provided that airflow is restored to V_{bz} whenever occupancy is detected.

6.2.6.1.5.1 Documentation. A written description of the equipment, methods, control sequences, set points, and the intended operational functions shall be provided. A table shall be provided that shows the minimum and maximum outdoor intake airflow for each system.

6.2.6.2 For ventilation zones in occupied standby mode, breathing zone outdoor airflow shall be permitted to be reduced to zero for the occupancy categories indicated "OS" in Table 6-1, provided that airflow is restored to V_{bz} whenever occupancy is detected. Where ventilation zones comprise more than one room, ventilation reduction shall be permitted only when occupancy is not detected in all rooms served by the ventilation zone and shall be restored when occupancy is detected in any room served by the ventilation zone.

Revise Table 6-1 as shown.

Table 6-1 Minimum Ventilation Rates in Breathing Zone

Occupancy Category	People Outdoor		Area Outdoor		Default Values		Air Class	OS (6.2.6.1.4)	Maximum CO ₂ above Ambient, <u>ΔC_{6,I}</u>
	Air Rate <i>R_p</i>		Air Rate <i>R_a</i>		Occupant Density				
	cfm/ person	L/s· person	cfm/ft ²	L/s·m ²	#/1000 ft ² or #/100 m ²				
Animal Facilities									
Animal exam room (veterinary office)	10	5	0.12	0.6	20	2			<u>NA</u>
Animal imaging (MRI/CT/PET)	10	5	0.18	0.9	20	3			<u>NA</u>
Animal operating rooms	10	5	0.18	0.9	20	3			<u>NA</u>
Animal postoperative recovery room	10	5	0.18	0.9	20	3			<u>NA</u>
Animal preparation rooms	10	5	0.18	0.9	20	3			<u>NA</u>
Animal procedure room	10	5	0.18	0.9	20	3			<u>NA</u>
Animal surgery scrub	10	5	0.18	0.9	20	3			<u>NA</u>
Large-animal holding room	10	5	0.18	0.9	20	3			<u>NA</u>
Necropsy	10	5	0.18	0.9	20	3			<u>NA</u>
Small-animal-cage room (static cages)	10	5	0.18	0.9	20	3			<u>NA</u>
Small-animal-cage room (ventilated cages)	10	5	0.18	0.9	20	3			<u>NA</u>
Correctional Facilities									
Booking/waiting	7.5	3.8	0.06	0.3	50	2			<u>1200</u>
Cell	5	2.5	0.12	0.6	25	2			<u>NA</u>
Dayroom	5	2.5	0.06	0.3	30	1			<u>1500</u>
Guard stations	5	2.5	0.06	0.3	15	1			<u>1200</u>
Educational Facilities									
Art classroom	10	5	0.18	0.9	20	2			<u>NA</u>
Classrooms (ages 5 to 8)	10	5	0.12	0.6	25	1			<u>600</u>
Classrooms (age 9 plus)	10	5	0.12	0.6	35	1			<u>600</u>
Computer lab	10	5	0.12	0.6	25	1			<u>600</u>
Corridors (age 5 plus)	—	—	0.12	0.6	—	1			<u>NA</u>
Daycare sickroom	10	5	0.18	0.9	25	3			<u>NA</u>
Daycare (through age 4)	10	5	0.18	0.9	25	2			<u>NA</u>
Lecture classroom	7.5	3.8	0.06	0.3	65	1	✓		<u>1200</u>
Lecture hall (fixed seats)	7.5	3.8	0.06	0.3	150	1	✓		<u>1200</u>
Libraries	5	2.5	0.12	0.6	10				<u>600</u>
Media center	10	5	0.12	0.6	25	1			<u>600</u>
Multiuse assembly	7.5	3.8	0.06	0.3	100	1	✓		<u>1200</u>
Music/theater/dance	10	5	0.06	0.3	35	1	✓		<u>2100</u>
Science laboratories	10	5	0.18	0.9	25	2			<u>NA</u>
University/college laboratories	10	5	0.18	0.9	25	2			<u>NA</u>
Wood/metal shop	10	5	0.18	0.9	20	2			<u>NA</u>
Food and Beverage Service									
Bars, cocktail lounges	7.5	3.8	0.18	0.9	100	2			<u>1200</u>

Table 6-1 Minimum Ventilation Rates in Breathing Zone (Continued)

Occupancy Category	People Outdoor Air Rate R_p		Area Outdoor Air Rate R_a		Default Values Occupant Density		Air Class	OS (6.2.6.1.4)	Maximum CO ₂ above Ambient, $\Delta C_{b,i}$
	cfm/ person	L/s· person	cfm/ft ²	L/s·m ²	#/1000 ft ² or #/100 m ²				
Cafeteria/fast-food dining	7.5	3.8	0.18	0.9	100	2			<u>900</u>
Kitchen (cooking)	7.5	3.8	0.12	0.6	20	2			<u>NA</u>
Restaurant dining rooms	7.5	3.8	0.18	0.9	70	2			<u>1500</u>
General									
Break rooms	5	2.5	0.06	0.3	25	1	✓		<u>1500</u>
Coffee stations	5	2.5	0.06	0.3	20	1	✓		<u>1200</u>
Conference/meeting	5	2.5	0.06	0.3	50	1	✓		<u>1500</u>
Corridors	—	—	0.06	0.3	—	1	✓		<u>NA</u>
Occupiable storage rooms for liquids or gels	5	2.5	0.12	0.6	2	2			<u>NA</u>
Hotels, Motels, Resorts, Dormitories									
Barracks sleeping areas	5	2.5	0.06	0.3	20	1	✓		<u>900</u>
Bedroom/living room	5	2.5	0.06	0.3	10	1	✓		<u>600</u>
Laundry rooms, central	5	2.5	0.12	0.6	10	2			<u>NA</u>
Laundry rooms within dwelling units	5	2.5	0.12	0.6	10	1			<u>NA</u>
Lobbies/prefunction	7.5	3.8	0.06	0.3	30	1	✓		<u>1500</u>
Multipurpose assembly	5	2.5	0.06	0.3	120	1	✓		<u>1800</u>
Miscellaneous Spaces									
Banks or bank lobbies	7.5	3.8	0.06	0.3	15	1	✓		<u>900</u>
Bank vaults/safe deposit	5	2.5	0.06	0.3	5	2	✓		<u>600</u>
Computer (not printing)	5	2.5	0.06	0.3	4	1	✓		<u>600</u>
Freezer and refrigerated spaces (<50°F [10°C])	10	5	0	0	0	2			<u>NA</u>
Manufacturing where hazardous materials are not used	10	5.0	0.18	0.9	7	2			<u>600</u>
Manufacturing where hazardous materials are used (excludes heavy industrial and chemical processes)	10	5.0	0.18	0.9	7	3			<u>NA</u>
Pharmacy (prep. area)	5	2.5	0.18	0.9	10	2			<u>900</u>
Photo studios	5	2.5	0.12	0.6	10	1			<u>NA</u>
Shipping/receiving	10	5	0.12	0.6	2	2			<u>700</u>
Sorting, packing, light assembly	7.5	3.8	0.12	0.6	7	2			<u>900</u>
Telephone closets	—	—	0.00	0.0	—	1			<u>NA</u>
Transportation waiting	7.5	3.8	0.06	0.3	100	1	✓		<u>1800</u>
Warehouses	10	5	0.06	0.3	—	2			<u>700</u>
Office Buildings									
Breakrooms	5	2.5	0.12	0.6	50	1			<u>1500</u>
Main entry lobbies	5	2.5	0.06	0.3	10	1	✓		<u>1200</u>

Table 6-1 Minimum Ventilation Rates in Breathing Zone (Continued)

Occupancy Category	People Outdoor Air Rate R_p		Area Outdoor Air Rate R_a		Default Values Occupant Density		Air Class	OS (6.2.6.1.4)	<u>Maximum CO₂ above Ambient, $\Delta C_{b,i}$</u>
	cfm/ person	L/s· person	cfm/ft ²	L/s·m ²	#/1000 ft ² or #/100 m ²				
Occupiable storage rooms for dry materials	5	2.5	0.06	0.3	2	1			<u>700</u>
Office space	5	2.5	0.06	0.3	5	1	✓		<u>600</u>
Reception areas	5	2.5	0.06	0.3	30	1	✓		<u>2100</u>
Telephone/data entry	5	2.5	0.06	0.3	60	1	✓		<u>1800</u>
Public Assembly Spaces									
Auditorium seating area	5	2.5	0.06	0.3	150	1	✓		<u>1800</u>
Courtrooms	5	2.5	0.06	0.3	70	1	✓		<u>1500</u>
Legislative chambers	5	2.5	0.06	0.3	50	1	✓		<u>1800</u>
Libraries	5	2.5	0.12	0.6	10	1			<u>600</u>
Lobbies	5	2.5	0.06	0.3	150	1	✓		<u>1800</u>
Museums (children's)	7.5	3.8	0.12	0.6	40	1			<u>1800</u>
Museums/galleries	7.5	3.8	0.06	0.3	40	1	✓		<u>1500</u>
Places of religious worship	5	2.5	0.06	0.3	120	1	✓		<u>1800</u>
Residential									
Common corridors	—	—	0.06	0.3		1	✓		<u>NA</u>
Retail									
Sales (except as below)	7.5	3.8	0.12	0.6	15	2			<u>900</u>
Barbershop	7.5	3.8	0.06	0.3	25	2	✓		<u>NA</u>
Beauty and nail salons	20	10	0.12	0.6	25	2			<u>NA</u>
Coin-operated laundries	7.5	3.8	0.12	0.6	20	2			<u>900</u>
Mall common areas	7.5	3.8	0.06	0.3	40	1	✓		<u>2100</u>
Pet shops (animal areas)	7.5	3.8	0.18	0.9	10	2			<u>NA</u>
Supermarket	7.5	3.8	0.06	0.3	8	1	✓		<u>1500</u>
Sports and Entertainment									
Bowling alley (seating)	10	5	0.12	0.6	40	1			<u>900</u>
Disco/dance floors	20	10	0.06	0.3	100	2	✓		<u>1500</u>
Gambling casinos	7.5	3.8	0.18	0.9	120	1			<u>1200</u>
Game arcades	7.5	3.8	0.18	0.9	20	1			<u>900</u>
Gym, sports arena (play area)	20	10	0.18	0.9	7	2			<u>900</u>
Health club/aerobics room	20	10	0.06	0.3	40	2			<u>1500</u>
Health club/weight rooms	20	10	0.06	0.3	10	2			<u>1500</u>
Spectator areas	7.5	3.8	0.06	0.3	150	1	✓		<u>1500</u>
Stages, studios	10	5	0.06	0.3	70	1	✓		<u>1500</u>
Swimming (pool and deck)	—	—	0.48	2.4	—	2			<u>NA</u>

POLICY STATEMENT DEFINING ASHRAE'S CONCERN FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT OF ITS ACTIVITIES

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.

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