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# ADDENDA

ANSI/ASHRAE Addendum r to ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 62.1-2022

# Ventilation and Acceptable Indoor Air Quality

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On February 7, 2024, the EPA strengthened the National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Particulate Matter (PM NAAQS) to protect millions of Americans from harmful and costly health impacts, such as heart attacks and premature death. Particulate pollution, including fine soot particles, is a significant air quality concern, with extensive scientific evidence linking it to a range of health effects.

Standard 62.1 currently uses an older version of the EPA NAAQS with an annual PM2.5 limit of 12  $\mu$ g/m<sup>3</sup>. Addendum r updates that value to align with the latest EPA limit, which sets the primary annual PM2.5 standard at 9.0  $\mu$ g/m<sup>3</sup> to provide increased public health protection, consistent with the available health science.

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

#### Addendum r to Standard 62.1-2022

Modify Table 6-5 as follows. The remainder of Table 6-5 is unchanged.

Table 6-1 Design Compounds, PM2.5, and Their Design Limits

Compound or PM2.5		Cognizant Authority	Design Limit	
[ ]				
	PM 2.5	U.S. EPA NAAQS (annual mean)	<del>12</del> 9 μg/m <sup>3</sup>	
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Modify Section 9, "Normative References," as follows. The remainder of Section 9 is unchanged.

#### 9. NORMATIVE REFERENCES

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[...]

40 CFR 50 (2024-2018)

National Primary and Secondary Ambient Air Quality Standards

Section 4.1.1, Table 6-5, Table 6-6, 6.1.4.1, 6.1.4.2

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#### Modify Table E-1 as follows. The remainder of Table E-1 is unchanged.

## **Table E-1 Table E-1 NAAQS for the Unites States** (www.epa.gov/criteria-air-pollutants/naaqs-table)

Pollutant		Primary/ Secondary	Averaging Time	Level	Form	
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Particulate Matter (PM) www.epa.gov/pm-pollution/table- historical-particulate-matter-pm- national-ambient-air-quality- standards-naaqs	PM2.5	Primary	One (1) year	<del>12.0</del> <u>9</u> μg/m <sup>3</sup>	Annual mean, averaged over three years	
		Secondary	One (1) year	15.0 μg/m <sup>3</sup>	Annual mean, averaged over three years	
		Primary and secondary	Twenty-four (24) hours	35 μg/m <sup>3</sup>	Ninety-eight (98th) percentile, averaged over three years	
	PM10	Primary and secondary	Twenty-four (24) hours	150 μg/m <sup>3</sup>	Not to be exceeded more than once per year on average over three years	
[]					average over three years	

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