

ADDENDA

ANSI/ASHRAE Addendum m to ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 62.2-2022

Ventilation and Acceptable Indoor Air Quality in Residential Buildings

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FOREWORD

Addendum m increases the designated minimum efficiency of certain filters from MERV 6 to MERV 11, with comparable increases to minimum particle size efficiencies established using AHRI Standard 680. This change improves indoor air quality by reducing the concentration of particulate matter, specifically by establishing a minimum performance to address particulates with a diameter of $0-2.5 \mu m$.

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 m to Standard 62.2-2022

Revise Section 6.7 s shown.

6.7 Minimum Filtration. Mechanical systems that supply air to the dwelling unit through ductwork exceeding 10 ft (3 m) in length and through a thermal conditioning component, except evaporative coolers, shall be provided with a filter having a designated minimum efficiency of MERV 6-11 or better when tested in accordance with ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 52.2, or a minimum particle size efficiency of 20% in the 0.3 to 1.0 μm range, 65% in the 1.0 to 3.0 μm range, and 50-85% in the 3.0 to 10 μm range in accordance with AHRI Standard 680. The system shall be designed such that all recirculated and mechanically supplied outdoor air is filtered before passing through the thermal conditioning components. The filter shall be located and installed in such a manner as to facilitate access and regular service by the owner.

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