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## ADDENDA

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

# Ventilation and Acceptable Indoor Air Quality in Residential Buildings

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## FOREWORD

In Section 2.2b, the list of "other factors" that may affect occupant perception and acceptance of IAQ can be confusing to the user and does not include common factors that can affect perception and acceptance of IAQ. Addendum u revises the list to broaden the language to categories of factors.

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

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## Revise Section 2.2, "Scope," as follows.

**2.2** While acceptable IAQ is the goal of this standard, it will not necessarily be achieved even if all requirements are met

- a. because of the diversity of sources and contaminants in indoor air and the range of susceptibility in the population;
- b. because of the many other factors that may affect occupant perception and acceptance of IAQ, such as air temperature, humidity, noise, lighting, thermal environment, acoustical environment, visual environment, and psychological stress factors;
- c. if the ambient air is unacceptable and this air is brought into the building without first being cleaned (ambient outdoor air cleaning is not required by this standard);
- d. if the system or systems are not operated and maintained as designed; or
- e. when high-polluting events occur.

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