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FOREWORD

Addendum s removes the use of solar reflectance index (SRI) for walls and replaces it with the more accurate and relevant term—solar reflectance (SRI is still used when referring to roofs). The proposal also adds requirements for south-, east-, and west-facing walls to have a minimum solar reflectance of 0.30 in Climate Zone 0.

- a. Thermal emittance values do not vary much for opaque, nonmetallic surfaces. A minimum value of 0.75 is sufficient and can be demonstrated by published values or testing. The default value in Appendix G is 0.90. The main reason to have 0.75 backstop is to avoid shiny bare metal, which can become hot.*
- b. For solar reflectance, three options have been provided for measurement: (1) ASTM C1549 with air mass 1.5 global vertical (AM1.5GV) output (labeled “1.590” for air mass 1.5, 90 degree tilt in an upgrade to the Devices and Services Solar Spectrum Reflectometer v6, available from its manufacturer); (2) ASTM E903, using the AM1.5GV solar spectral irradiance to weight near normal-hemispherical solar spectral reflectance; or (3) the “G197GT90” output of the Surface Optics 410-Solar-i Hemispherical Reflectometer, operated following Appendix 9 of the CRRC-1 Program Manual (https://coolroofs.org/documents/CRRC-1_Program_Manual.pdf). All three options are based on the global solar spectral irradiance for a 90 degree sun-facing tilted surface specified in ASTM G197.*
- c. For emittance, ASTM C1371 is the simplest and least expensive measurement method but other options have been provided.*
- d. Initial reflectance is specified because there isn't a fully developed measurement technique for measuring aged wall reflectance. Preliminary testing shows that walls become much less dirty than roofs because they are vertical surfaces.*
- e. We have removed planted material as a shading option, as plants are not considered durable or guaranteed to last the life of the building.*
- f. This proposal removes “reflectance” as a defined term within the standard. The ESC agreed that the current definition is inaccurate and that there is no question about what the term reflectance means. In an effort to simplify the standard, it was decided to remove the definition rather than amend it.*

There is no increase in stringency as part of this proposal, and therefore cost-effectiveness need not be shown.

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

Addendum s to Standard 90.1-2019

Modify Section 3.2 as shown (I-P and SI units).

3.2 Definitions

[...]

north-oriented: facing within ~~45~~67.5 degrees of true north in the northern hemisphere; ~~(however,~~ facing within 67.5 degrees of true south in the southern hemisphere.)

south-oriented: facing within 45 degrees of true south in the northern hemisphere; facing within 45 degrees of true north in the southern hemisphere.

east-oriented: facing within 45 degrees of true east to the south and within less than 22.5 degrees of true east to the north in the northern hemisphere; facing within 45 degrees of true east to the north and within less than 22.5 degrees of true east to the south in the southern hemisphere.

west-oriented: facing within 45 degrees of true west to the south and within less than 22.5 degrees of true west to the north in the northern hemisphere; facing within 45 degrees of true west to the north and within less than 22.5 degrees of true west to the south in the southern hemisphere.

reflectance: the ratio of the light reflected by a surface to the light incident upon it.

[. . .]

Modify Section 5.5.3.1.1 as shown (I-P and SI units).

5.5.3.1.1 Roof Solar Reflectance and Thermal Emittance. *Roofs* in Climate Zones 0 through 3 shall have one of the following:

- a. A minimum three-year-aged solar ~~reflectance~~reflectance of 0.55 and a minimum three-year-aged thermal *emittance* of 0.75 when tested in accordance with CRRC S100.
- b. A minimum Solar Reflectance Index of 64 when determined in accordance with the Solar Reflectance Index method in ASTM E1980 using a convection coefficient of 2.1 Btu/h·ft²·°F (12 W/m²·K), based on three-year-aged solar ~~reflectance~~reflectance and three-year-aged thermal *emittance* tested in accordance with CRRC S100.
- c. Increased *roof* insulation levels found in Table 5.5.3.1.1.

The values for three-year-aged solar ~~reflectance~~reflectance and three-year-aged thermal *emittance* shall be determined by a laboratory accredited by a nationally recognized accreditation organization and shall be *labeled* and certified by the *manufacturer*.

[. . .]

Modify Section 5.5.3.2 as shown (I-P and SI units).

5.5.3.2 Above-Grade Wall Insulation. All *above-grade* walls shall comply with the insulation values specified in Tables 5.5-0 through 5.5-8.

Exception to 5.5.3.2: Alternatively, for *mass walls* [. . .]

5.5.3.2.1 Walls That Are Both above and below Grade. When a *wall* consists of both *above-grade* and *below-grade* portions [. . .]

5.5.3.2.2 Wall Solar Reflectance and Thermal Emittance. ~~In addition, for~~ For Climate Zone 0, *above-grade east-oriented, south-oriented, and west-oriented walls* ~~*above-grade walls*~~ shall comply with one of the following subparagraph (a) or (b):

- a. ~~For east and west walls, a~~ A minimum of 75% of the *opaque wall* area shall have a minimum ~~SRI of 29~~ area-weighted initial solar reflectance of 0.30 when tested in accordance with ASTM C1549 with AM1.5GV output, or ASTM E903 with the AM1.5GV output, or determined in accordance with *generally accepted engineering standards*, and a minimum *emittance* or emissivity of 0.75 when tested in accordance with ASTM C835, C1371, E408, or determined in accordance with *generally accepted engineering standards*. For the portion of the *opaque wall* that is glass spandrel area, a minimum solar ~~reflectance~~ reflectance of 0.29 determined in accordance with NFRC 300 or ISO 9050 shall be permitted. ~~Each wall is allowed to be considered separately. Area-weighting is permitted only between the south-, east-, and west-oriented walls and only between walls of the same space conditioning category.~~
- b. ~~For east and west walls, a~~ A minimum of 30% of the *above-grade wall* area shall be shaded through the use of ~~shade providing plants~~, manmade structures, *existing buildings*, hillsides, permanent *building* projections, *on-site renewable energy systems*, or a combination of these. Shade coverage shall be calculated by projecting the shading surface downward on the wall at an angle of 45 degrees, at 10 a.m. for the east-oriented walls and 3 p.m. for the west-oriented walls on the summer solstice.

~~The building is allowed to be rotated up to 45 degrees to the nearest cardinal orientation for purposes of calculations and showing compliance.~~

Exception to 5.5.3.2.2: *Exterior walls of semiheated spaces.*

[. . .]

Modify Section 5.5.4.5 as shown (I-P and SI units).

5.5.4.5 Fenestration Orientation

[. . .]

where

A_w = west-oriented *vertical fenestration area* (~~oriented within 45 degrees of true west to the south and within 22.5 degrees of true west to the north in the northern hemisphere; oriented within 45 degrees of true west to the north and within 22.5 degrees of true west to the south in the southern hemisphere~~)

A_e = east-oriented *vertical fenestration area* (~~oriented within 45 degrees of true east to the south and within 22.5 degrees of true east to the north in the northern hemisphere; oriented within 45 degrees of true east to the north and within 22.5 degrees of true east to the south in the southern hemisphere~~)

[. . .]

Modify Table 11.5.1 as shown (I-P and SI units).

Table 11.5.1 Modeling Requirements for Calculating *Design Energy Cost* and *Energy Cost Budget*

<i>Proposed Design (Column A)</i> <i>Design Energy Cost (DEC)</i>	<i>Budget Building Design (Column B)</i> <i>Energy Cost Budget (ECB)</i>
5. Building Envelope	
<p>All components of the <i>building envelope</i> in the <i>proposed design</i> shall be modeled as shown on architectural drawings or as built for <i>existing building envelopes</i>.</p> <p>Exceptions: The following <i>building elements</i> are permitted to differ from architectural drawings.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Any <i>building envelope</i> assembly that covers less than 5% of the total area of that assembly type (e.g., <i>exterior walls</i>) need not be separately described. If not separately described, the area of a <i>building envelope</i> assembly must be added to the area of the adjacent assembly of that same type. 2. Exterior surfaces whose azimuth <i>orientation</i> and tilt differ by less than 45 degrees and are otherwise the same shall be described as either a single surface or by using multipliers. 3. The exterior <i>roof</i> surface shall be modeled using the aged solar reflectancereflectance and thermal <i>emittance</i> determined in accordance with Section 5.5.3.1.1(a). Where aged test data are unavailable, the <i>roof</i> surface shall be modeled with a solar reflectancereflectance of 0.30 and a thermal <i>emittance</i> of 0.90. <u>The above-grade wall surfaces of buildings shall be modeled with an initial solar reflectance and thermal <i>emittance</i> determined in accordance with the test methods identified in Section 5.5.3.2.2(a). Where initial test data are unavailable, the above-grade wall surfaces shall be modeled with a solar reflectance of 0.25 and a thermal <i>emittance</i> of 0.90.</u> 4. Manually operated <i>fenestration</i> shading devices, such as blinds or shades, shall not be modeled. Permanent shading devices, such as fins, overhangs, and lightshelves, shall be modeled. 	<p>The <i>budget building design</i> shall have identical <i>conditioned floor area</i> and identical exterior dimensions and orientations as the <i>proposed design</i>, except as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <i>Opaque assemblies</i>, such as <i>roof, floors, doors, and walls</i>, shall be modeled as having the same <i>heat capacity</i> as the <i>proposed design</i> but with the minimum <i>U-factor</i> required in Section 5.5 for new <i>buildings</i> or additions and Section 5.1.3 for <i>alterations</i>. b. The exterior <i>roof</i> surfaces shall be modeled with a solar reflectancereflectance and thermal <i>emittance</i> as required in Section 5.5.3.1.1(a). All other <i>roofs</i>, including <i>roofs</i> exempted from the requirements in Section 5.5.3.1.1, shall be modeled the same as the <i>proposed design</i>. <u>The above-grade wall surfaces of buildings shall be modeled with a solar reflectance and thermal <i>emittance</i> as required in Section 5.5.3.2.2 and 5.5.3.2.2(a). All other above-grade walls, including those exempt from the requirements in Section 5.5.3.2.2, shall be modeled the same as the <i>proposed design</i>.</u> c. No shading projections are to be modeled; <i>fenestration</i> shall be assumed to be flush with the <i>wall</i> or <i>roof</i>. If the <i>fenestration area</i> for new <i>buildings</i> or additions exceeds the maximum allowed by Section 5.5.4.2, the area shall be reduced proportionally along each exposure until the limit set in Section 5.5.4.2 is met. If the <i>vertical fenestration area</i> facing west or east of the <i>proposed design</i> exceeds the area limit set in Section 5.5.4.5 then the <i>energy cost budget</i> shall be generated by simulating the <i>budget building design</i> with its actual <i>orientation</i> and again after rotating the entire <i>budget building design</i> 90, 180, and 270 degrees and then averaging the results. <i>Fenestration U-factor</i> shall be equal to the criteria from Tables 5.5-0 through 5.5-8 for the appropriate climate, and the <i>SHGC</i> shall be equal to the criteria from Tables 5.5-0 through 5.5-8 for the appropriate climate. For portions of those tables where there are no <i>SHGC</i> requirements, the <i>SHGC</i> shall be equal to that determined in accordance with Section C3.6(c). The <i>VT</i> shall be equal to that determined in accordance with Section C3.6(c). The <i>fenestration</i> model for <i>building envelope alterations</i> shall reflect the limitations on area, <i>U-factor</i>, and <i>SHGC</i> as described in Section 5.1.3. <p>[. . .]</p>

Modify Section 12 as shown (I-P and SI units).

12. NORMATIVE REFERENCES

Reference	Title
ASTM International 100 Barr Harbor Dr., West Conshohocken, PA 19428-2959	
[...]	
ASTM C1363-11	Standard Test Method for the Thermal Performance of Building Assemblies by Means of a Hot Box Apparatus
<u>ASTM C1371-15</u>	<u>Standard Test Method for Determination of Emittance of Materials Near Room Temperature using Portable Emitters.</u>
<u>ASTM C1549-16</u>	<u>Standard Test Method for Determination of Solar Reflectance Near Ambient Temperature Using a Portable Solar Reflectometer</u>
<u>ASTM E408-13</u>	<u>Standard Test Methods for Total Normal Emittance of Surfaces Using Inspection-Meter Techniques</u>
[...]	

Modify Appendix C as shown (I-P and SI units).

C1.2.1 For Roofs. The *class of construction, opaque area, U-factor, HC*, and insulation position shall be specified. Where three-year-aged test data for the solar ~~reflectance~~ reflectance and three-year-aged thermal *emittance* of the exterior *roof* surface are available, the three-year-aged solar ~~reflectance~~ reflectance and three-year-aged thermal *emittance* shall be specified.

[...]

C3.5.5 Building Envelope. The *building envelope* shall reflect the information specified in Section C1.

Exception to C3.5.5: Where three-year-aged test data for the solar ~~reflectance~~ reflectance and three-year-aged thermal *emittance* of the exterior *roof* surface are unavailable, the exterior *roof* surface shall be modeled with a solar ~~reflectance~~ reflectance of 0.30 and a thermal *emittance* of 0.90.

C3.5.5.1 Shading. Manually operated interior shades shall be modeled on all *vertical fenestration*. Shades shall be modeled to be in the lowered position when either the transmitted luminance is greater than 200 cd/ft² (2000 cd/m²) or the direct solar transmitted *energy* exceeds 30 Btu/h-ft² (95 W/m²) and then remain lowered for rest of the day. Shades shall be modeled with visible light transmittance of 0.10, visible light ~~reflectance~~ reflectance of 0.40, solar transmittance of 0.21, and solar ~~reflectance~~ reflectance of 0.23. Permanent shading devices such as fins and overhangs shall be modeled.

[...]

C3.6 Calculation of Base Envelope Performance Factor

a. [...]

b. The exterior *roof* surfaces shall be modeled with a solar ~~reflectance~~ reflectance and thermal *emittance* as required in Section 5.5.3.1.1(a). All other *roofs*, including *roofs* exempted from the requirements in Section 5.5.3.1.1, shall be modeled the same as in the *proposed design*. The above-grade wall surfaces of buildings shall be modeled with a solar reflectance and thermal emittance as required in Section 5.5.3.2.2 and Section 5.5.3.2.2(a). All other above-grade walls, including those exempt from the requirements in Section 5.5.3.2.2, shall be modeled the same as the proposed design.

[...]

Modify Table G3.1 as shown (I-P and SI units).

Table G3.1 Modeling Requirements for Calculating Proposed and Baseline Building Performance

No.	Proposed Building Performance	Baseline Building Performance
5. Building Envelope		
<p>a. All components of the <i>building envelope</i> in the <i>proposed design</i> shall be modeled as shown on architectural drawings or as built for <i>existing building envelopes</i>.</p> <p>Exceptions: The following <i>building</i> elements are permitted to differ from architectural drawings:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. All uninsulated assemblies (e.g., projecting balconies, perimeter edges of intermediate <i>floor</i> slabs, concrete <i>floor</i> beams over parking garages, <i>roof</i> parapet) shall be separately modeled using either of the following techniques: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Separate model of each of these assemblies within the <i>energy</i> simulation model. b. Separate calculation of the <i>U-factor</i> for each of these assemblies. The <i>U-factors</i> of these assemblies are then averaged with larger adjacent surfaces using an area-weighted average method. This average <i>U-factor</i> is modeled within the <i>energy</i> simulation model. <p>Any other <i>building envelope</i> assembly that covers less than 5% of the total area of that assembly type (e.g., <i>exterior walls</i>) need not be separately described, provided that it is similar to an assembly being modeled. If not separately described, the area of a <i>building envelope</i> assembly shall be added to the area of an assembly of that same type with the same <i>orientation</i> and thermal properties.</p> 2. Exterior surfaces whose azimuth <i>orientation</i> and tilt differ by less than 45 degrees and are otherwise the same may be described as either a single surface or by using multipliers. 3. The exterior <i>roof</i> surface shall be modeled using the aged solar <i>reflectance</i> and thermal <i>emittance</i> determined in accordance with Section 5.5.3.1.1(a). Where aged test data are unavailable, the <i>roof</i> surface may be modeled with a reflectance <i>reflectance</i> of 0.30 and a thermal <i>emittance</i> of 0.90. 4. <i>Manual fenestration</i> shading devices, such as blinds or shades, shall be modeled or not modeled the same as in the <i>baseline building design</i>. <i>Automatically</i> controlled <i>fenestration</i> shades or blinds shall be modeled. Permanent shading devices, such as fins, overhangs, and light shelves shall be modeled. 5. <i>Automatically</i> controlled <i>dynamic glazing</i> may be modeled. Manually controlled <i>dynamic glazing</i> shall use the average of the minimum and maximum <i>SHGC</i> and <i>VT</i>. 6. <u>The above-grade wall surface shall be modeled using the initial solar reflectance and thermal emittance determined in accordance with the test methods identified in Section 5.5.3.2.2(a). Where initial test data are unavailable, the wall surface may be modeled with a solar reflectance of 0.25 and a thermal emittance of 0.90.</u> <p>[...]</p>	<p>Equivalent dimensions shall be assumed for each <i>building envelope</i> component type as in the <i>proposed design</i>; i.e., the total gross area of <i>walls</i> shall be the same in the <i>proposed design</i> and <i>baseline building design</i>. The same shall be true for the areas of roofs, <i>floors</i>, and <i>doors</i>, and the exposed perimeters of concrete slabs on <i>grade</i> shall also be the same in the <i>proposed design</i> and <i>baseline building design</i>. The following additional requirements shall apply to the modeling of the <i>baseline building design</i>:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Orientation. The <i>baseline building performance</i> shall be generated by simulating the <i>building</i> with its actual <i>orientation</i> and again after rotating the entire <i>building</i> 90, 180, and 270 degrees, then averaging the results. The <i>building</i> shall be modeled so that it does not shade itself. <p>Exceptions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. If it can be demonstrated to the satisfaction of the <i>rating authority</i> that the <i>building orientation</i> is dictated by site considerations. 2. <i>Buildings</i> where the <i>vertical fenestration area</i> on each <i>orientation</i> varies by less than 5%. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> b. Opaque Assemblies. <i>Opaque</i> assemblies used for new <i>buildings</i>, <i>existing buildings</i>, or additions shall conform with assemblies detailed in Normative Appendix A and shall match the appropriate assembly maximum <i>U-factors</i> in Tables G3.4-1 through G3.4-8: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roofs—Insulation entirely above deck (A2.2). • Above-grade walls—Steel-framed (A3.3). • Below-grade walls—Concrete block (A4). • Floors—Steel-joist (A5.3). • Slab-on-grade floors shall match the <i>F-factor</i> for unheated slabs from the same tables (A6). <p>[...]</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> f. Roof Solar Reflectance Reflectance and Thermal Emittance. The exterior <i>roof</i> surfaces shall be modeled using a solar reflectance <i>reflectance</i> of 0.30 and a thermal <i>emittance</i> of 0.90. <p>[...]</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Wall Solar Reflectance and Thermal Emittance. <u>Above-grade wall surfaces shall be modeled with a solar reflectance of 0.25 and a thermal emittance of 0.90.</u> 	

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