



**CERTIFIED PASSIVE
HOUSE CONSULTANT**
STUDY GUIDE



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PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS
PRESCRIPTIVE REQUIREMENTS
RECOMMENDATIONS

PHIUS+ 2018 PASSIVE BUILDING PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

Source Energy, Residential	kWh/person/yr	≤ 3840 kWh/person/yr
	Occupancy	(# of Bedrooms + 1), per unit
Source Energy, Non-Residential	kBTU/ft ² _{ICFA} /yr	≤ 34.8
Airtightness	CFM ₅₀ /ft ² of gross enclosure area	≤ 0.060
Airtightness, MF ≥ 5 stories, non-comb.		≤ 0.080
Annual Heating Demand	kBTU/ft ² _{ICFA} /yr	Climate Specific
Annual Cooling Demand		Climate Specific
Peak Heating Load	<div>AND</div> BTU/ft ² _{ICFA} /hr	Climate Specific
Peak Cooling Load		Climate Specific

PHIUS+ 2018 PASSIVE BUILDING PRESCRIPTIVE REQUIREMENTS

PHIUS+ Ventilation Protocol	CFM	Balanced Ventilation, see Guidebook 3.5.3.3
Thermal Bridge Mold Risk	%RH	< 80% using ISO 13788/ASHRAE 160 calc
Window Condensation Risk	%RH	< 100% using ISO 13788/LTIE calc
Window Comfort Assessment	Max U-V alue	Based on climate + window height, see calculator.
Assembly Moisture Risk	various	See Guidebook 3.4.3 & Appendix B
PHIUS+ QA/QC Protocol	various	Pre-Certification and On-Site Verification
Supporting 3rd Party Verifications	various	EPA Indoor AirPLUS, EPA Energy Star, DOE ZERH

PHIUS+ 2018 PASSIVE BUILDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Thermal Enclosure	hr.ft ² .°F/BTU	≈ R-25 - R-80; climate specific
Window SHGC	%	≈ 0.27 - 0.61; climate specific
Window Installed U-factor	BTU/hr.ft ² .°F	$U_{w-install} \approx 0.41 - 0.08$; climate specific
Ventilation Efficiency	% recovery	53% - 93%; climate specific
	Watt/cfm	0.27 - 2.23; climate specific
Thermal-Bridge Threshold	BTU/hr.ft.°F	$\Psi \leq 0.006$
Indoor Radiant Condition	$\Delta T^{\circ}F$	$\leq 7.2^{\circ}F$ (Indoor setpoint vs. indoor surfaces)
Indoor Relative Humidity	%RH	40%-60% RH
Ventilation Air Velocity	ft/min	20- 30 ft/min (at supply diffusers)
Incoming Ventilation Air	°F	$\geq 62.0^{\circ}F$
Max Temp of Heating Coil	°F	125.6 °F
Daily DHW Use	gallons	6.6 gal/person.day @ 140F

THERMAL COMFORT HEATING SEASON

Feels: **comfortable + WARM!**

Temperate glass and wall surfaces and no drafts

PHIUS Conditions

Envelope

R 60

Window

R -9 Triple
glazed
(Climate
specific)

Outside
Temp

0° F



PHIUS Comfort Guidelines

Air
Temp

68 ° F

RH

40-60%

Air
Velocity

<19.7 ft/min

Radiant
Condition

Max
Delta T
< 7.2 ° F
(4 ° C)

THERMAL COMFORT COOLING SEASON

Feels: **comfortable** and cool

Temperate glass and wall surfaces and no drafts

PHIUS Example

Envelope

R 30

Window

**R -5 Triple glazed
(Climate
specific)**

Outside
Temp

95° F



PHIUS Comfort Guidelines

Air Temp

77 ° F

RH

40-60%

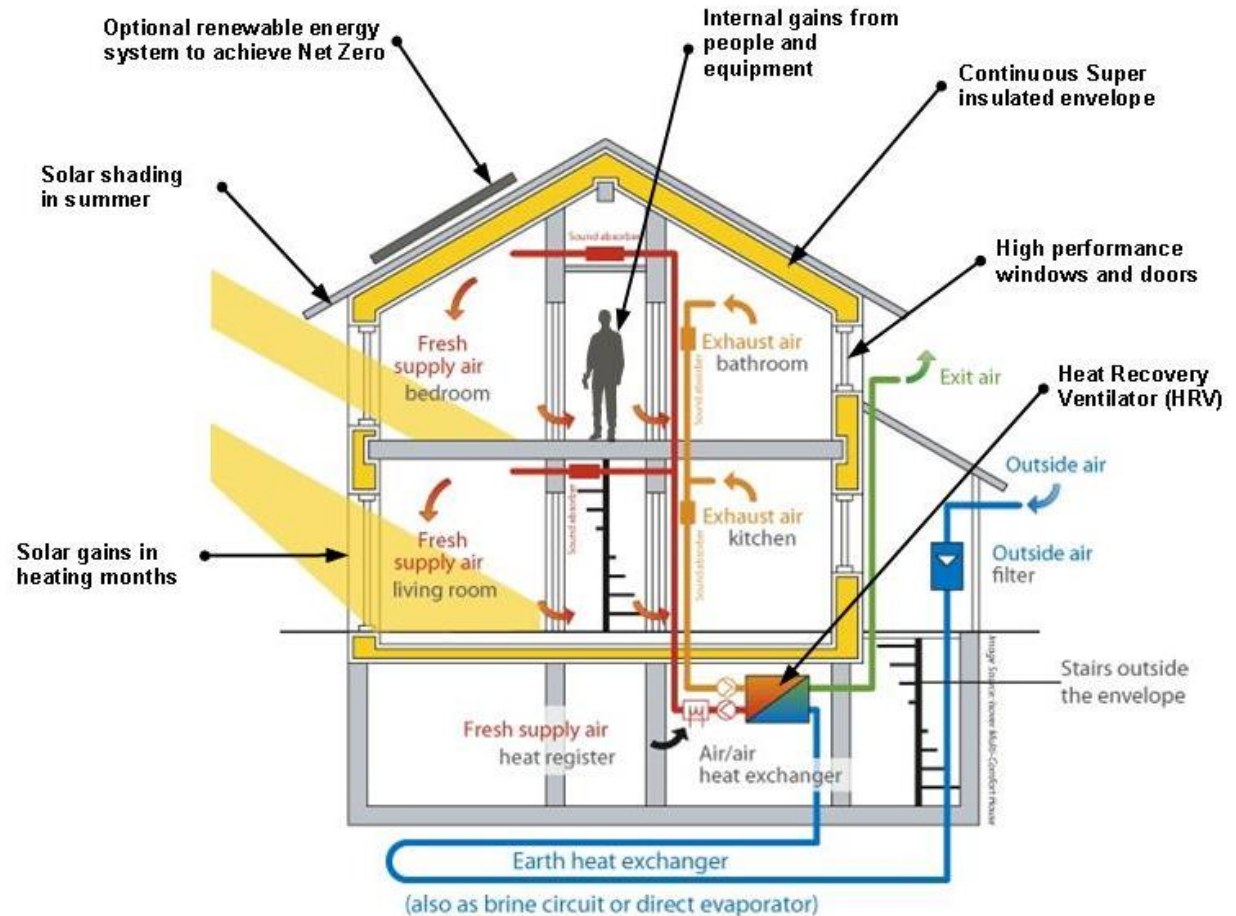
Air
Velocity

**(<19.7
ft/min)**

Radiant
Condition

**Max
Delta T
< 7.2 ° F
(4 ° C)**

ENERGY BALANCE



Passive House Diagram

ENERGY BALANCE = 4 ENERGY 'BUCKETS'

2 LOSS BUCKETS:

- Transmission Loss
- Ventilation Loss

2 GAIN BUCKETS:

- Solar Gains
- Internal Gains



REMAINING ANNUAL HEATING DEMAND

HEATING

$$Q_H = Q_T + Q_V - n * (Q_S + Q_I)$$

Q_T	(kBTU/yr) transmission heat loss
Q_V	(kBTU/yr) ventilation heat loss
n	(%) utilization factor of gains
Q_S	(kBTU/yr) solar heat gains
Q_I	(kBTU/yr) internal heat gains

REMAINING ANNUAL COOLING DEMAND

COOLING

$$Q_c = Q_s + Q_I - n * (Q_T + Q_V)$$

Q_T	(kBTU/yr) transmission heat loss
Q_V	(kBTU/yr) ventilation heat loss
n	(%) utilization factor of losses
Q_s	(kBTU/yr) solar heat gains
Q_I	(kBTU/yr) internal heat gains

REMAINING PEAK HEATING LOAD

HEATING

$$P_H = P_T + P_V - (P_S + P_I)$$

P_T	(BTU/hr) peak transmission heat loss
P_V	(BTU/hr) peak ventilation heat loss
P_S	(BTU/hr) peak solar heat gains
P_I	(BTU/hr) peak internal heat gains

REMAINING PEAK COOLING LOAD

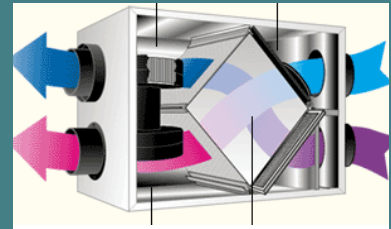
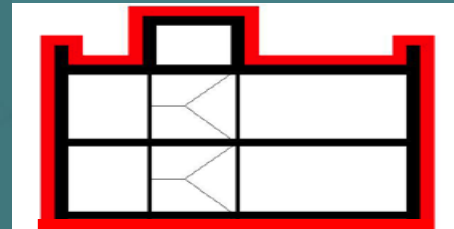
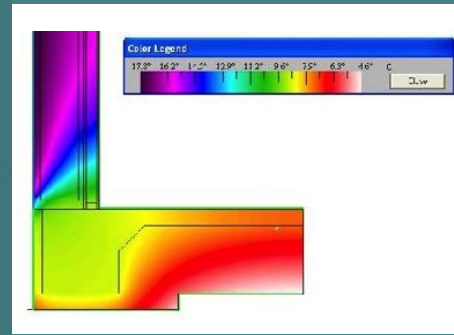
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P_T	(BTU/hr) peak transmission heat loss
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P_I	(BTU/hr) peak internal heat gains

TOTAL LOSSES:

ENCLOSURE LOSSES
+ VENTILATION LOSSES



● ANNUAL TOTAL LOSSES

$$Q_L = Q_T + Q_V$$

Q_L	(kBTU/yr) Total heat loss
Q_T	(kBTU/yr) Transmission heat loss
Q_V	(kBTU/yr) Ventilation heat loss
$Q_L / iCFA$	(kBTU/ft ² _{iCFA} /yr) Total specific heat loss

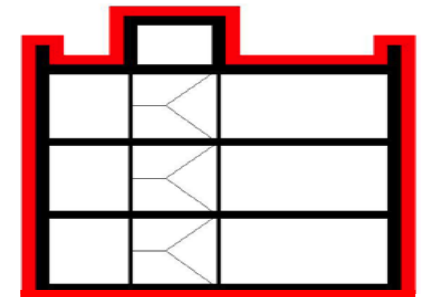
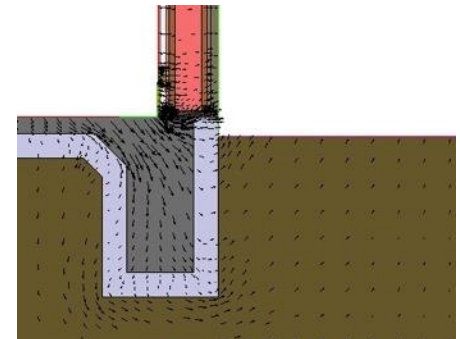
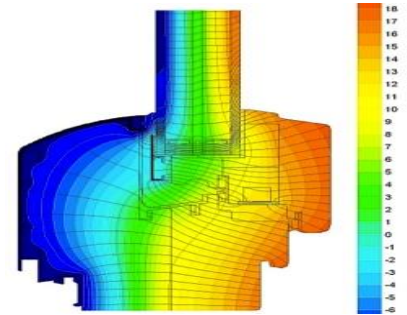
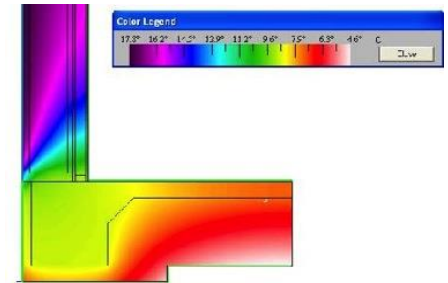
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P_V	(BTU/hr) Peak ventilation heat loss
P_L / iCFA	(BTU/ft ² _{iCFA} /hr) Total specific peak heat loss

ENCLOSURE LOSSES:

THERMAL ENCLOSURE THERMAL BRIDGES



ANNUAL TRANSMISSION LOSS

EXTERIOR WALL | ROOF | FLOOR | WINDOWS

$$Q_T = A * U * f_T * G_T$$

Q_T	(kBTU/yr) transmission heat loss
A	(ft ²) assembly area to exterior dimensions
U	(BTU/hr.ft ² .°F) U-value, heat transfer coefficient
f_T	(≤1) temperature correction factor (used in cases like a ground condition or “X” where heat loss is mitigated)
G_T	(k F.hr/yr) heating degree hours : Conversion: HDD @68F * 24 hr/day/1000 = HDD *0.024 = G_T

CONVERT HEATING DEGREE DAYS TO HEATING DEGREE HOURS G_T

CALCULATE G_T FOR A YEAR

1	Determine annual heating degree days per climate file (°F.day/yr)
2	Multiply by 24 hours/day to obtain hours/yr (°F.hr/yr)
3	Divide by 1000 to obtain (k°F.hr/yr)

What are the heating degree hours G_T for a location with 6736 heating degree days?

1	$G_T = 6736 \text{ °F.days} * 24\text{hr.day}/1000$
2	$G_T = 6736 \text{ °F.days} * 24\text{hr.day}/1000$
3	$G_T = 6736 \text{ °F} * 0.024\text{hr}$
4	$G_T = 161.66 \text{ k°F.hr}$

DETERMINE G_T

HEATING DEGREE HOURS

CALCULATE G_T FOR A GIVEN TIME PERIOD LESS THAN A YEAR

1	Determine the number of days in the relevant period.
2	Multiply by 24 hours/day to obtain hours/period.
3	Determine ΔT between indoors and outdoors relevant to period (Monthly Avg Temp)
4	Multiply hours/period by ΔT .
5	Divide by 1000 to obtain $k^\circ F \cdot hr / \text{period}$

What is the G_T for the month of January for a location with a January monthly avg. temp of $-2^\circ F$?

1	$G_{T-\text{January}} = \text{days} * 24hr / 1000 * \Delta T$
2	$G_{T-\text{January}} = 31 \text{ days} * .024 \text{ khr/day} * (68^\circ F - (-2^\circ F))$
3	$G_{T-\text{January}} = 0.744 \text{ khr} * 70^\circ F$
4	$G_{T-\text{January}} = 52.08 \text{ khr}^\circ F$

ANNUAL TRANSMISSION LOSS

EXTERIOR WALL | ROOF | FLOOR | WINDOWS

$$Q_T = A * U * fT * G_T$$

$$U_{\text{wall}} = 0.12 \text{ BTU/hr.ft}^2 \cdot \text{F} \mid A_{\text{wall}} = 400 \text{ ft}^2 \mid \text{HDD} = 6736 \text{ F.day/yr}$$

Q_T

$$= 400\text{ft}^2 * (0.12 \text{ BTU/hr.ft}^2 \cdot \text{°F}) * 1 * (6736 \text{ °F.day/yr}) * 24 \text{ (hr/day)} / 1000$$

$$= 400\text{ft}^2 * (0.12 \text{ BTU/hr.ft}^2 \cdot \text{°F}) * 1 * (6736 \text{ °F.day/yr}) * 24 \text{ (hr/day)} / 1000$$

$$= (400 * 0.12 \text{ BTU}) * 1 * (6736 \text{ yr} * 0.024\text{k})$$

$$= 48 \text{ kBTU} * 1 * 161.66 \text{ yr}$$

$$= 7759.68 \text{ kBTU/yr}$$

Divide by ft^2 (or iCFA for whole) to get $\text{kBTU/ft}^2\text{yr}$

PEAK TRANSMISSION LOSS

EXTERIOR WALL | ROOF | FLOOR | WINDOWS

$$P_T = A * U * f_T * \Delta_T$$

P_T	(BTU/hr) peak transmission heat loss
A	(ft ²) assembly area to exterior dimensions
U	(BTU/hr.ft ² .°F) U-value, heat transfer coefficient
f_T	(≤1) temperature correction factor ALWAYS 1 for peak (except zone “x” and slab conditions)
Δ_T	Indoor minus outdoor temp (°F) for worst case of weather condition 1 (cold, clear) or 2 (moderate, cloudy)

PEAK TRANSMISSION LOSS

EXTERIOR WALL | ROOF | FLOOR | WINDOWS

$$P_T = A * U * fT * \Delta_T$$

$U_{\text{wall}} = 0.12 \text{ BTU/hr.ft}^2 \cdot \text{F}$ | $A_{\text{wall}} = 400 \text{ ft}^2$ | Peak low = 15° F

P_T	$= 400\text{ft}^2 * 0.12 \text{ BTU/hr.ft}^2 \cdot ^\circ\text{F} * 1 * (68^\circ\text{F} - 15^\circ\text{F})$
	$= 400\text{ft}^2 * 0.12 \text{ BTU/hr.ft}^2 \cdot ^\circ\text{F} * 1 * 53^\circ\text{F}$
	$= 48 \text{ BTU/hr} * 53$
	$= 2544 \text{ BTU/hr}$
	Divide by ft^2 (or iCFA for whole) to get $\text{BTU/ft}^2_{\text{iCFA}}/\text{hr}$

ANNUAL LINEAR LOSS

LINEAR THERMAL BRIDGES

$$Q_{T\Psi} = l * \Psi * f_T * G_T$$

$Q_{T\Psi}$	(kBTU/yr) transmission heat loss
l	(ft) length of thermal bridge
Ψ	(BTU/hr.ft.°F) psi-value, linear heat transfer coefficient
f_T	(≤1) temperature correction factor (used in cases like a ground condition or “X” where heat loss is mitigated)
G_T	(k F.hr/yr) heating degree hours

PEAK LINEAR LOSS

LINEAR THERMAL BRIDGES

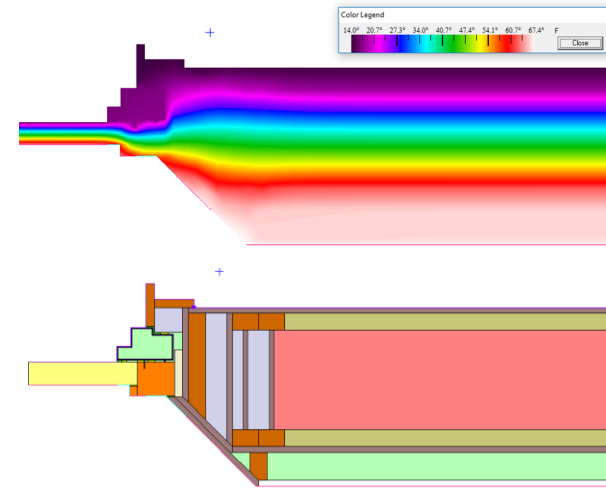
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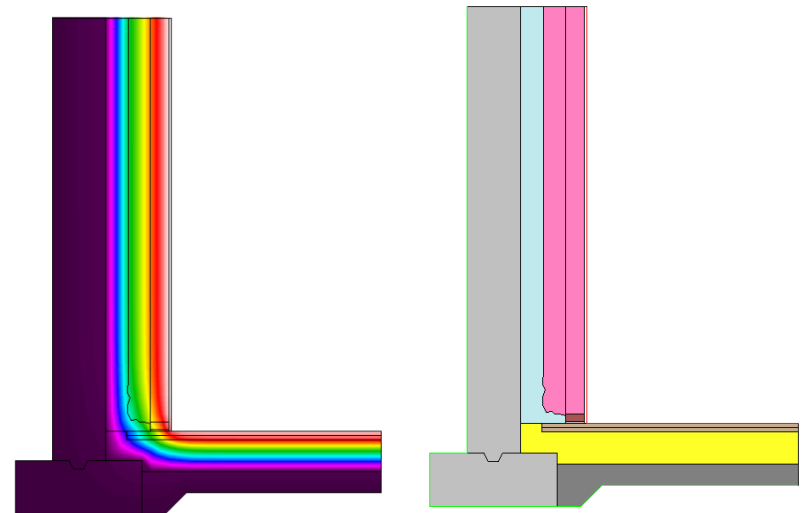
THERMAL BRIDGES:

MUST BE
ACCOUNTED FOR

Thermal bridge free
 $\leq 0.006 \text{ BTU/hr.ft}^\circ\text{F}$



Ψ – installation thermal bridge



$\Psi = -0.05 \text{ BTU/hr.ft.}^\circ\text{F}$ **free** of thermal bridge

TOTAL ANNUAL TRANSMISSION LOSS

ENCLOSURE + LINEAR TB + POINT TB

$$H_T = \Sigma A_j U_j + \Sigma \Psi_j l_j + \Sigma X_j$$

H_T

(kBTU/yr) transmission loss

$\Sigma A_j U_j$

(kBTU/yr) sum enclosure transmission loss

$\Sigma \Psi_j l_j$

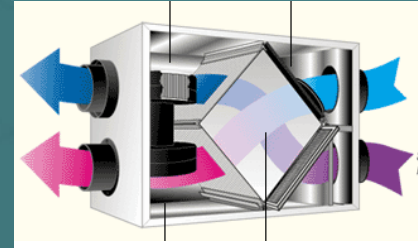
(kBTU/yr) sum linear transmission loss

ΣX_j

(kBTU/yr) sum point transmission loss

VENTILATION LOSSES:

AIR LEAKAGE VENTILATION EQUIPMENT



ENCLOSURE AIR LEAKAGE LIMIT

$$\text{CFM}_{50} = q_{50} \text{ limit} * \text{gross enclosure surface area ft}^2$$

CFM₅₀

(CFM₅₀) Total permitted leakage for blower door test
*CFM = ft³/min

q₅₀ limit

0.060 CFM₅₀/ft²
(or 0.080 CFM₅₀/ft² for MF 5 stories+)

Gross enclosure surface area

(ft²) Total gross exterior surface area of building enclosure used for energy model

AIR LEAKAGE LIMIT CONVERSION

From ACH_{50} to CFM_{50}/ft^2

$$q_{50} = n_{50} * \frac{1}{60} * V / ft^2 \text{ gross enclosure}$$

q_{50}	(CFM_{50}/ft^2) leakage in reference to the gross enclosure area of the envelope
n_{50}	(ACH_{50} or 1/hr) Pressure test air changes at 50 pascal pressure difference *(1/60 = hour to minute conversion factor)
V	(ft^3) Net enclosed air volume for air pressure test

AIR LEAKAGE LIMIT CONVERSION

From CFM₅₀/ft² to ACH₅₀

$$n_{50} = q_{50} * \frac{60}{V} * ft^2_{gross\ enclosure}$$

n_{50}

(ACH₅₀ or 1/hr) Pressure test air changes at 50 pascal pressure difference
1/60 = (hour to minute conversion factor)

q_{50}

(CFM₅₀/ft²) leakage in reference to the gross enclosure area of the envelope
*(60 = minute to hour conversion factor)

V

(ft³) Net enclosed air volume for air pressure test

AIR LEAKAGE TEST PRESSURE CONVERSION/EQUIVALENT

From CFM₅₀ to CFM₇₅

$$CFM_{75} = CFM_{50} * ((75/50)^h)$$

<i>CFM</i>₅₀	Measured air leakage in cubic feet per minute at 50 Pascals
50	Pressure used for test (Pa)
75	Test pressure converting to (Pa)
<i>h</i>	Flow exponent (from test result) If unknown, use 0.7

AIR LEAKAGE TEST PRESSURE CONVERSION/EQUIVALENT

From CFM_{Q_1} to CFM_{Q_2}

$$CFM_{Q_2} = CFM_{Q_1} * ((Q_2/Q_1)^h)$$

CFM_{Q_1}	Measured air leakage in cubic feet per minute at Q1 pressure (Pascals)
Q_1	Pressure used for test (Pa)
Q_2	Test pressure converting to (Pa)
h	Flow exponent (from test result) If unknown, use 0.7

NATURAL INFILTRATION

AIR CHANGE RATE

$$n_{nat} = V * n_{50} * e / (1 + f/e * (\text{excess extract air} / n_{50})^2)$$

n_{nat}

(ACH or 1/hr) natural infiltration air change rate
*takes into account target ACH₅₀ and wind protection coefficient

V

(ft³) Net enclosed air volume for air pressure test

e, f

wind protection coefficients EN 13790

n_{50}

(ACH₅₀ or 1/hr) Pressure test air changes at 50 pascal pressure difference

VENTILATION CONVERSIONS

VOLUME and AIR CHANGE (ventilation or leakage)

$$CFM = ACH / 60_{min} * V$$

<i>ACH</i>	(1/hr) Air changes per hour
<i>CFM</i>	(ft ³ /min) Cubic feet per minute
<i>V</i>	(ft ³) Net enclosed air volume

$$ACH = CFM * 60_{min} / V$$

<i>ACH</i>	(1/hr) Air changes per hour
<i>CFM</i>	(ft ³ /min) Cubic feet per minute
<i>V</i>	(ft ³) Net enclosed air volume

ANNUAL VENTILATION LOSS

$$Q_v = n_v * V * c_p \rho * G_T$$

Q_v	(kBTU/yr) Ventilation heat loss
n_v	(ACH or 1/hr) energetically effective air exchange rate
V	(ft ³) Net enclosed air volume
$c_p \rho$	Specific heat capacity of air: (0.018 BTU/ft ³ ° F or 33 Wh(m ³ K) - aka c_{air}
G_T	(k°F.hr/yr) heating degree hours = $\Sigma (\Delta \theta * h_{\Delta \theta})$ *To convert HDD to G_t , multiply HDD by 0.024.

PEAK VENTILATION LOSS

$$P_v = n_v * V * c_p \rho * \Delta_T$$

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$c_p \rho$	Specific heat capacity of air: (0.018 BTU/ft ³ ° F or 33 Wh(m ³ K)) - aka c_{air}
Δ_T	(°F, K or °C) Temperature difference (worst case or given temperature)

ENERGETICALLY EFFECTIVE

AIR EXCHANGE RATE

$$n_v = n_{v \text{ system}} * (1 - \%HR) + n_{nat}$$

n_v

(ACH or 1/hr) energetically effective air exchange rate

$n_{v \text{ system}}$

(ACH or 1/hr) average ventilation air change rate of building

$\%HR$

(%) Total system recovery efficiency
*Ventilation ASE (apparent sensible effectiveness) and possible earth tube/geo thermal loop transmission combined

n_{nat}

(ACH or 1/hr) natural infiltration air change rate

VENTILATION FRESH AIR SUPPLY TEMPERATURE

BASED ON OUTDOOR DESIGN CONDITION

$$\textit{Supply Air Temp} = \theta_e + [\%HR (\theta_i - \theta_e)]$$

θ_e	Outdoor Temperature, design condition (°F)
θ_i	Indoor Temperature, seasonal setpoint (°F)
$\%HR$	(%) Total system recovery efficiency *Ventilation ASE (apparent sensible effectiveness) and possible earth tube/geo thermal loop transmission combined

PHIUS RECOMMENDED VENTILATION RATES



Room	Airflow	Units
Kitchen	35	CFM
Bathroom	24	CFM
½ Bathroom	12	CFM
Laundry Room	12	CFM
Mech Room	12	CFM

A thermal image of a building facade, showing a color scale bar on the right side. The scale bar ranges from dark purple (cooler) to bright yellow (warmer). The building's structure, including a roofline and a window, is visible. A temperature reading of 71.7 °F is displayed in the top right corner.

71.7 °F

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U VALUE | R VALUE | SURFACE TEMP

R-VALUE (*Per ISO 6946)

OF HOMOGENEOUS SECTION

$$R_{si} = 0.74 \text{ R}$$

$$\text{Drywall} = 0.91 \text{ R/in}$$

$$\text{Cellulose} = 3.75 \text{ R/in}$$

$$\text{Plywood} = 1.72 \text{ R/in}$$

$$\text{Mineral Wool} = 3.79 \text{ R/in}$$

$$R_{se} = 0.45 \text{ R}$$

d = THICKNESS

R_{si} = INT SURFACE FILM

R_{se} = EXT SURFACE FILM

You are given R/in

$$R_T = R_{si} + (d_1 * R_1) + (d_2 * R_2) + (d_3 * R_3) + (d_4 * R_4) + R_{se}$$

You are given R per layer

$$R_T = R_{si} + R_1 + R_2 + R_3 + R_4 + R_{se}$$

(*Per ISO 6946) U-VALUE

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○	$R_{se} = 0.45 \text{ R}$

You are given R value

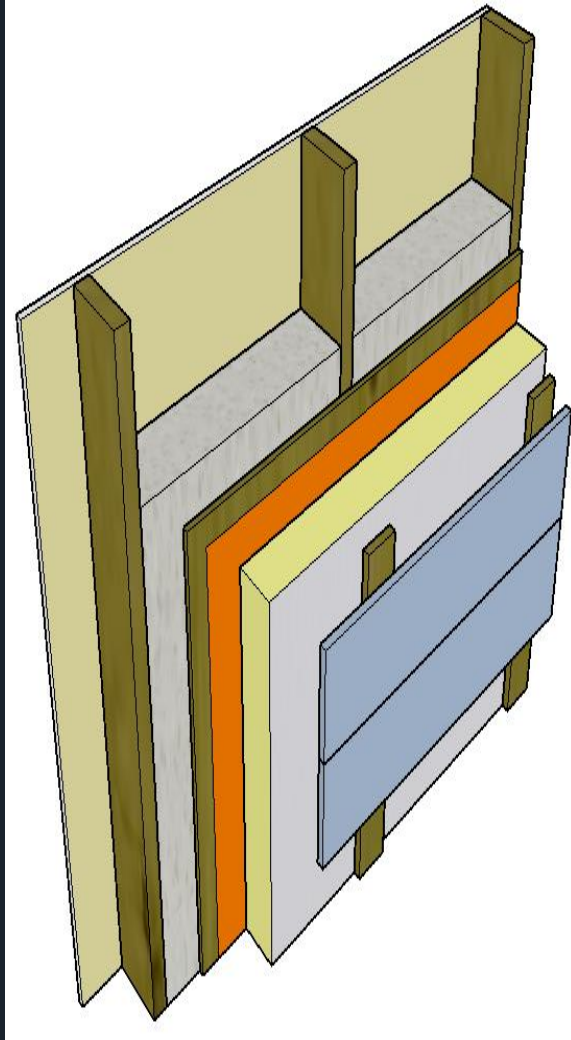
$$U = \frac{1}{R_T}$$

You are given thermal conductivity λ value

$$U = \frac{1}{R_{si} + \frac{d_1}{\lambda_1} + \frac{d_2}{\lambda_2} + \frac{d_3}{\lambda_3} + \frac{d_4}{\lambda_4} + R_{se}}$$

U/R-VALUE (*Per ISO 6946)

OF HETEROGENEOUS SECTION



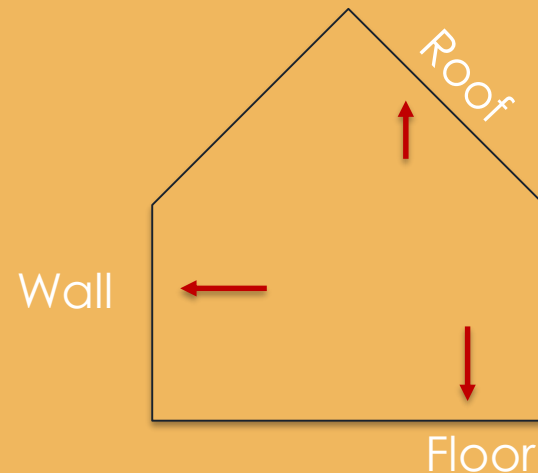
d_1 = THICKNESS

R_1 = R per inch

Calculated for insulation and framing
of non-homogeneous layers

Total R of layer is normalized for area
of each material in the shared layer

SURFACE FILM RESISTANCE VALUES



SURFACE FILM RESISTANCE VALUES		R-value	U-value
INTERIOR	Upward Heat Flow	0.57	1.754
	Horizontal Heat Flow	0.74	1.351
	Downward Heat Flow	0.97	1.031
	Corner (for THERM) 8" horz & vert.	1.14	0.877
EXTERIOR	Exposed	0.23	4.348
	Screened	0.45	2.222
	Soil surface (for THERM)	0.17	5.882
BELOW GRADE		0.00001	99999

U_f	BTU/hr.ft ² °F
U_g	BTU/hr.ft ² °F
Ψ_{spacer}	BTU/hr.ft °F
Glazing Dimensions	
Frame Dimensions	

$$U_g * A_g$$

$$\Psi_{spacer} * l_{spacer}$$

$$U_f * A_f$$



U VALUE OF WINDOWS:

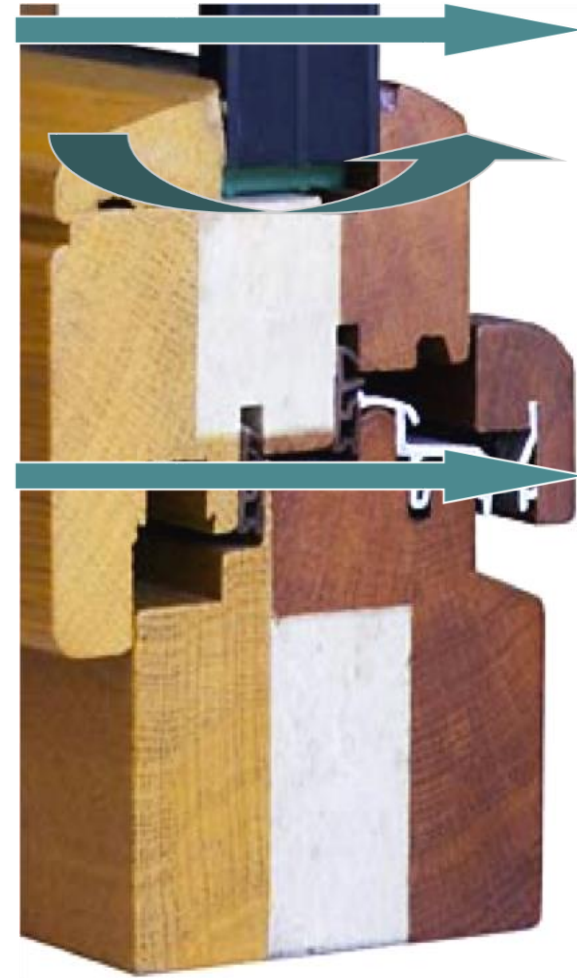
REQUIRED CALCULATION FACTORS

U VALUE OF WINDOWS:

FORMULA

(*Per ISO 10077)

$$U_w = \frac{U_g * A_g + U_f * A_f + \Psi_{spacer} * l_{spacer}}{A_g + A_f}$$



U_f	BTU/hr.ft ² °F
U_g	BTU/hr.ft ² °F
Ψ_{spacer}	BTU/hr.ft °F
$\Psi_{install}$	BTU/hr.ft °F
Glazing Dimensions	
Frame Dimensions	

$$U_g * A_g$$

$$\Psi_{spacer} * l_{spacer}$$

$$U_f * A_f$$

$$\Psi_{install} * l_{install}$$



INSTALLED U VALUE OF WINDOWS:

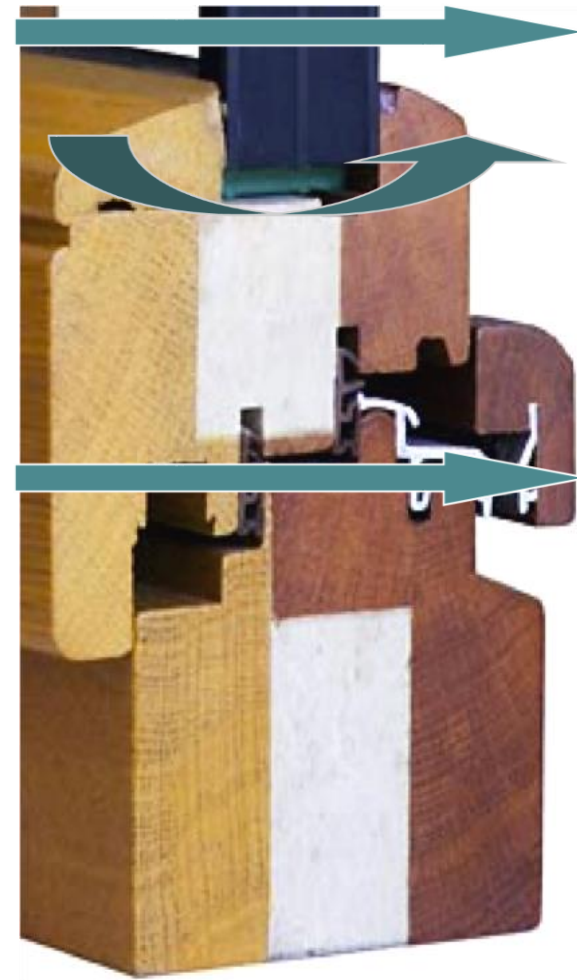
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INSTALLED U VALUE OF WINDOWS:

FORMULA

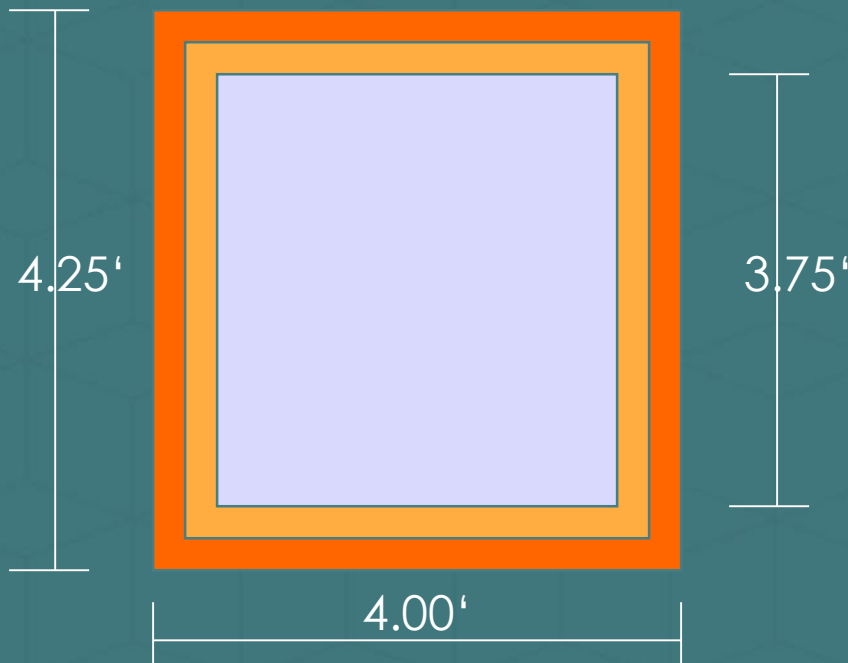
(*Per ISO 10077)

$$U_w = \frac{U_g * A_g + U_f * A_f + \Psi_{spacer} * l_{spacer} + \Psi_{install} * l_{install}}{A_g + A_f}$$



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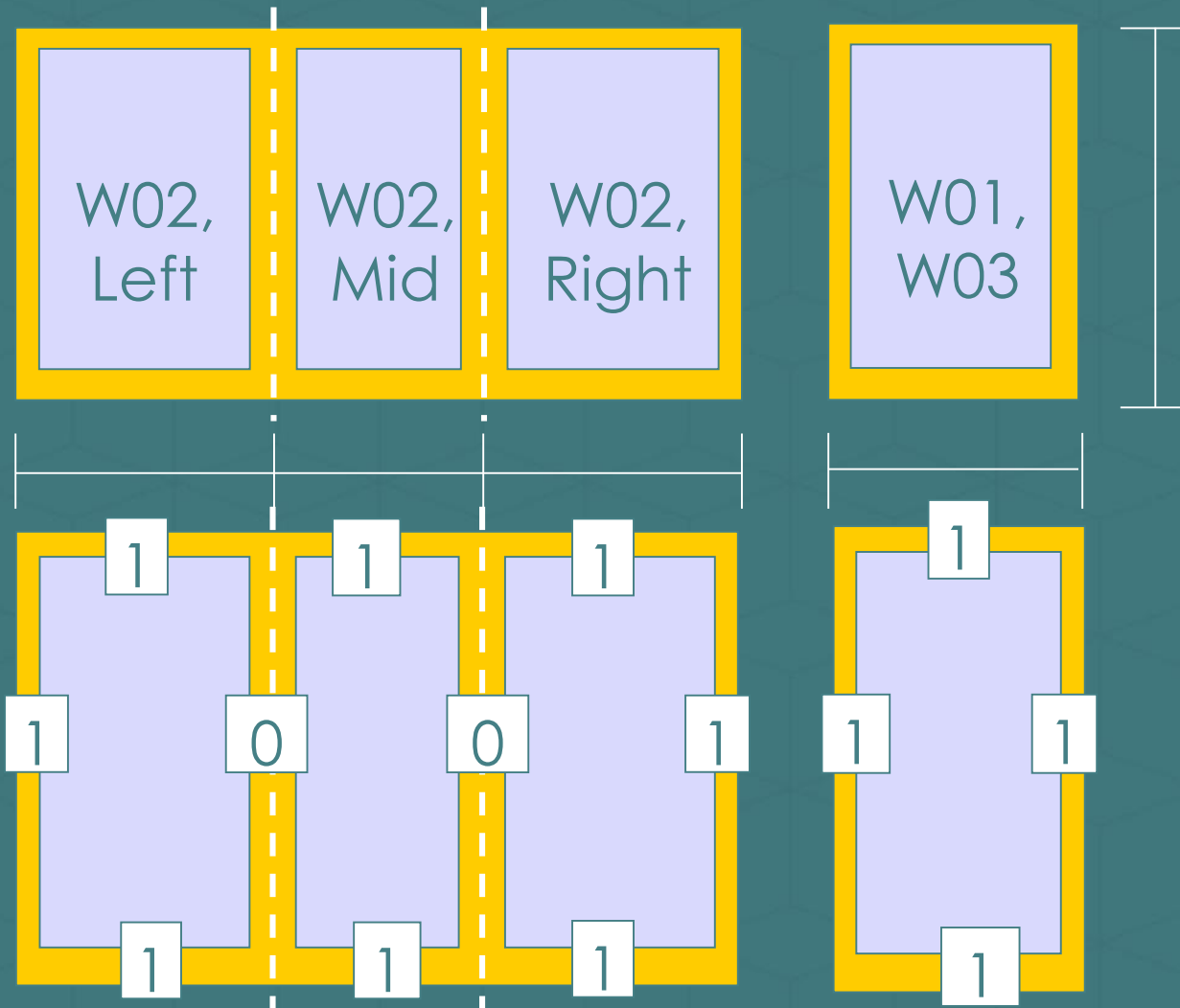


Example Window:

U_f	= 0.18 BTU/hr. ft ² . F
U_g	= 0.11 BTU/hr. ft ² . F
A_w	= 17 ft ²
A_g	= 13.125 ft ² (75+%)
A_f	= 3.875 ft ² (25+%)
Ψ_{spacer}	= 0.02 BTU/hr. ft. F
$\Psi_{install}$	= 0.006 BTU/hr. ft. F
Frame width	= 3 in (all sides)
U_w	= 0.14 BTU/hr.ft ² . F
$U_{w-install}$	= 0.15 BTU/hr.ft ² . F

INSTALLED U VALUE OF WINDOWS

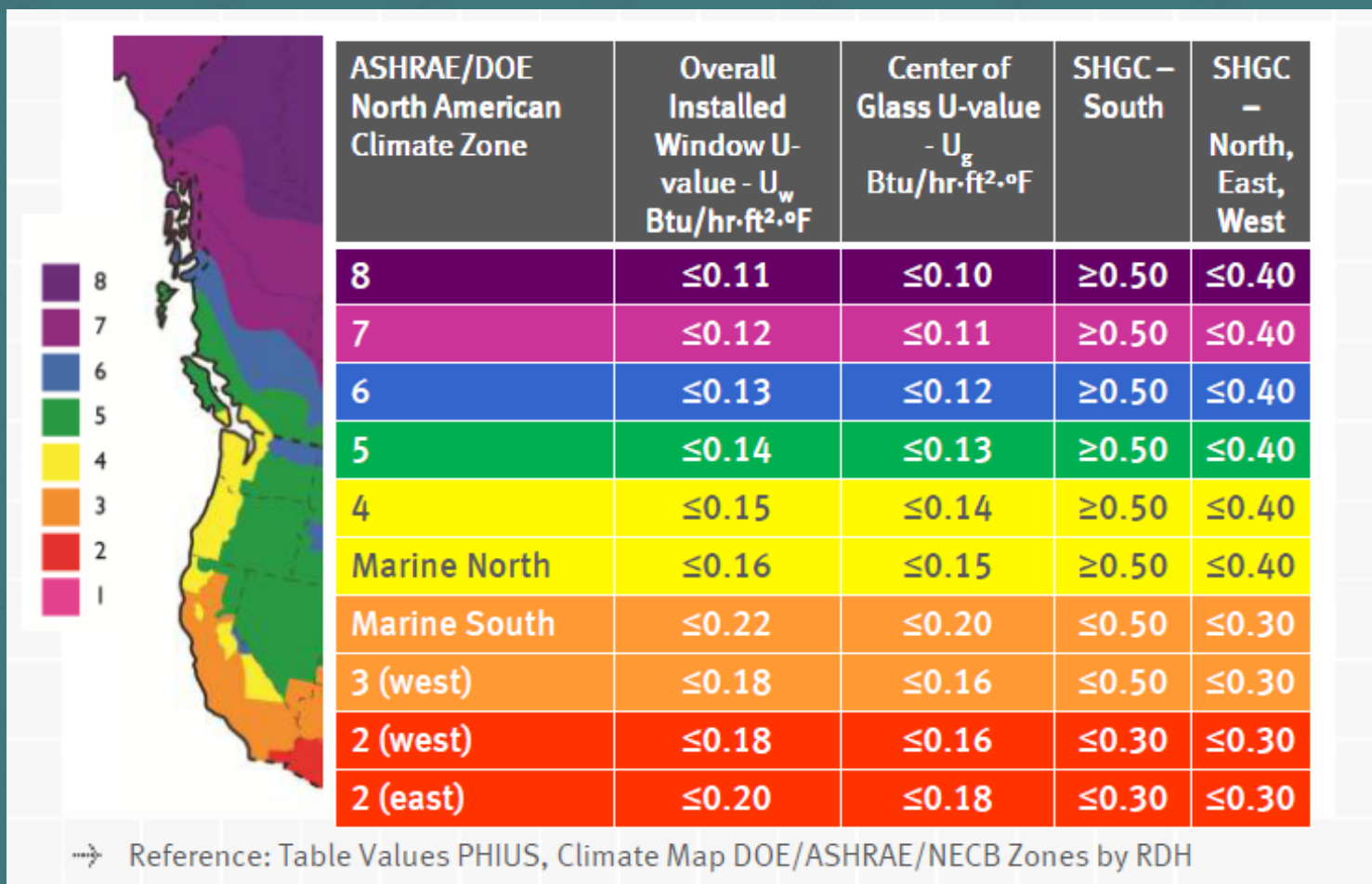
Precise dimensions and position are required



INSTALLATION
condition
determines the
length of LOSS
associated with
the Ψ_{install} value

PHIUS Climate Specific Window Guidelines/Recommendations

Based on Comfort Performance



PHIUS WINDOW COMFORT & CONDENSATION RISK ASSESSMENT

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- ASHRAE 99% Design Temperature used for analysis
- Required U-value varies based on window height



PHIUS WINDOW COMFORT & CONDENSATION RISK ASSESSMENT

Project Name	Sample
Project #	Sample
State	ILLINOIS ▼
City	CHICAGO OHARE INTL AP ▼
ASHRAE 99% Design Temperature [°F]	4.4

<http://ashrae-meteo.info/>

CONDENSATION RISK

ISO 13788 Calculation for Low Thermal Inertia Elements

Is this a Heating Climate?	TRUE ▼
Use simple method for indoor humidity?	TRUE ▼
High occupancy?	TRUE ▼
U-value of window frame/glass [BTU/hr.ft².F]	
Safety Factor	15% ▼

Interior Surface Temperature of window frame/glass [°F]	68.0
Risk of condensation on interior surface acceptable?	YES
Critical fRsi	0.64
Critical Month	JAN
Critical CRF Rating	64

PHIUS+ Climate Data

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Ambient Temp (°F)	23.7	27.5	38.8	50.0	59.5	70.0	75.4	71.2	64.6	51.8	40.5	25.3
Dewpoint (°F)	15.1	17.2	29.3	39.2	45.0	55.4	65.7	61.9	55.2	41.0	32.7	18.3

COMFORT REQUIREMENTS

Applies to all projects.

Windows >10' in height and above have the same required U-value.

Window Vertical Height (ft) - Use slider	7.4
Required Whole Window U-value [BTU/hr.ft².F]	0.20

● INTERIOR SURFACE TEMP

FOR WALL OR GLASS

$$\theta_{si} = \theta_i - U * R_{si} * [\theta_i - \theta_e]$$

θ_{si}	(°F) Interior surface temperature
θ_i	(°F) Interior temperature
U	(BTU/hr.ft ² .°F) U-value of the wall assembly
R_{si}	(hr.ft ² .°F/BTU) Interior surface film resistance
θ_e	(°F) Exterior temperature

DETERMINE WINDOW U VALUE

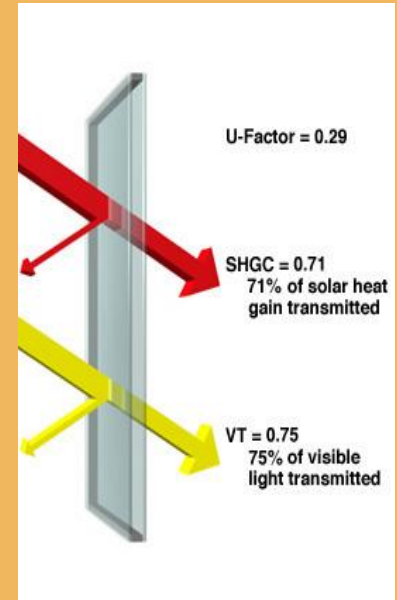
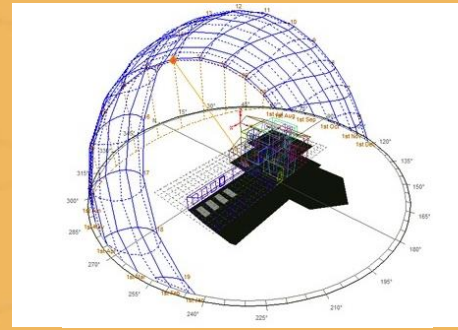
FOR MAX ΔT AT INTERIOR SURFACE

$$U \leq 7.2^{\circ}\text{F} \div [R_{si} \times [\theta_i - \theta_e]]$$

U	(BTU/hr.ft ² .°F) U-value of the window
R_{si}	(hr.ft ² .°F/BTU) Interior surface film resistance
θ_i	(°F) Interior temperature
θ_e	(°F) Exterior temperature

TOTAL GAINS:

SOLAR GAINS
+ INTERNAL GAINS



Q_F TOTAL ANNUAL HEAT GAINS

GLAZING, PEOPLE, EQUIPMENT+ LIGHTING

$$Q_F = Q_S + Q_I$$

Q_F

(kBTU/yr) total heat gains

Q_S

(kBTU/yr) available solar heat gains

Q_I

(kBTU/yr) internal heat gains

P_G PEAK HEAT GAINS

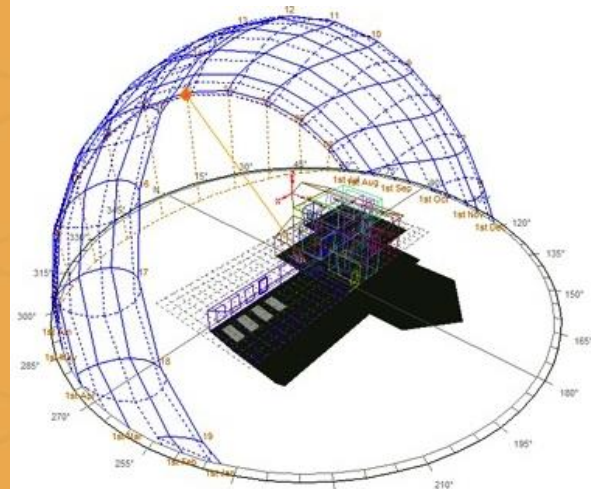
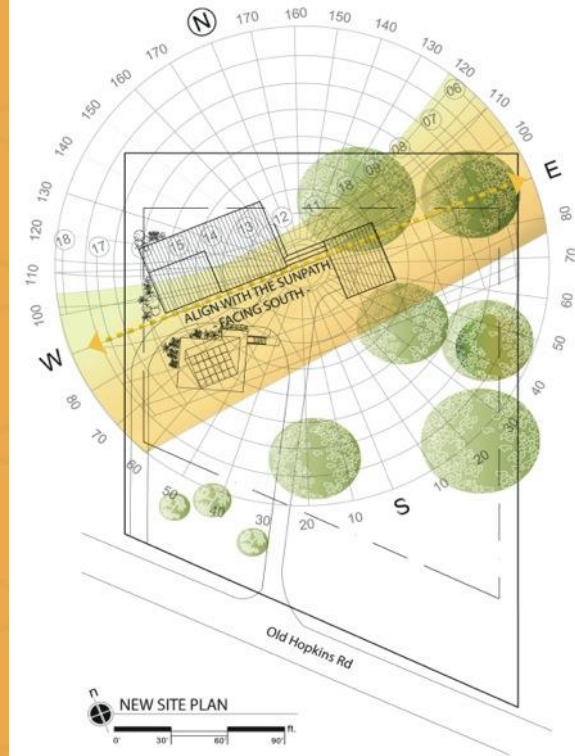
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$$P_G = P_S + P_I$$

P_G	(BTU/hr) total peak heat gains
P_S	(BTU/hr) peak solar heat gains
P_I	(BTU/hr) peak internal heat gains

SOLAR GAINS:

WINDOWS
SKYLIGHTS
GLAZED DOORS



Q_s SOLAR GAINS ANNUAL

WINDOW, DOOR AND SKYLIGHT GLAZING

$$Q_s = r * g * A_w * G$$

Q_s	(kBTU/yr) total solar heat gains
r	(%) reduction factor for the frame portion, shading, dirt and non-perpendicular incidence of radiation 100% = no shading, 0% = full shading
g	(.) total energy transmittance via perpendicular radiation, aka glazing SHGC or g-value
A_w	(ft ²) window area (rough opening size)
G	(kBTU/ft ² .yr) global radiation averaged over the heating season

P_s PEAK SOLAR GAINS

WINDOW, DOOR AND SKYLIGHT GLAZING

$$P_s = r * g * A_w * G_{worst}$$

P_s	(BTU/hr) total peak solar gains
r	(%) reduction factor for the frame portion, shading, dirt and non-perpendicular incidence of radiation 100% = no shading, 0% = full shading
g	(.) total energy transmittance via perpendicular radiation, aka glazing SHGC or g-value
A_w	(ft ²) window area
G	(BTU/hr.ft ²) global radiation for worst case weather condition (cold+clear OR moderately cold+overcast)

r SOLAR REDUCTION FACTOR

WINDOW, DOOR AND SKYLIGHT GLAZING

$$r_T = r_{shade} * r_{dirt} * r_{npi} * r_{frame \%}$$

r_T	(%) total solar gain reduction factor (varies)
r_{shade}	(%) solar gain reduction due to shade (varies)
r_{dirt}	(%) solar gain reduction due to dirt on panes (5% blocked, then $r = 95\%$)
r_{npi}	(%) solar gain reduction due to non-perpendicular incidence of radiation (15% blocked)
$r_{frame \%}$	(%) solar gain reduction due to frame % of overall window (varies)

100% = no shading, 0% = full shading

INTERNAL GAINS:

OCCUPANTS
EQUIPMENT
LIGHTING



Q_I INTERNAL HEAT GAINS ANNUAL

OCCUPANTS | EQUIPMENT | LIGHTING

$$Q_I = T_{heat} * q_i * iCFA$$

Q_I	(kBTU/yr) Internal heat gains
T_{heat}	days per heating season * 0.024 hrs
q_i	(BTU/hr.ft ²) calculated internal heat load (typically 0.8 – 1.5)
$iCFA$	(ft ²) interior conditioned floor area

P_I INTERNAL HEAT GAINS PEAK

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$$P_I = q_i * iCFA$$

P_I	(BTU/hr) peak internal heat gains
q_i	(BTU/hr.ft ²) 0.51 unoccupied building internal heat load (worst case)
$iCFA$	(ft ²) interior conditioned floor area



Units	Description
kBTU/yr	Total Annual Demand
kBTU/ft²_{iCFA}/yr	Specific Annual Demand
BTU/hr	Total Peak Load
BTU/ft²_{iCFA}/hr	Specific Peak Load
CFM₅₀/ft² ACH₅₀	Airtightness or Infiltration (@ 50Pa)
hr.ft².°F/BTU	R-Value
hr.ft².°F/BTU.in	R per inch
BTU/hr.ft².°F	U-Value
ACH or CFM	Ventilation Rate
ACH	Air changes per hour
CFM	Cubic feet per minute

THANK YOU

