



# ENERGY STAR HVAC Verified Installation: Contractor Checklist

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Customer Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ System Location: \_\_\_\_\_  
 System Description: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Ventilation, Heating & Cooling System Design	Contractor Completed	N/A
1.1 Is there an existing mechanical ventilation system that provides whole building ventilation to the home? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/>	-
1.2 If 1.1 is "Yes", measured rate of mechanical vent. system, as used for heating & cooling system design: _____ CFM <sup>1</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.3 Full load calculations report attached <sup>2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	-
1.4 Heat Loss / Gain Method: <input type="checkbox"/> Manual J v8	<input type="checkbox"/>	-
1.5 Equipment Selection Method: <input type="checkbox"/> Manual S	<input type="checkbox"/>	-
1.6 Outdoor Design Temperatures: Location: _____ 1%: _____ °F 99%: _____ °F	<input type="checkbox"/>	-
1.7 Number of occupants: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	-
1.8 Home orientation: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	-
1.9 Floor Area Served by Unit: _____ Sq. Ft.	<input type="checkbox"/>	-
1.10 Window Area in the Rooms Served by Unit: _____ Sq. Ft.	<input type="checkbox"/>	-
1.11 Predominant Window Type: <input type="checkbox"/> Single Pane <input type="checkbox"/> Double Pane <input type="checkbox"/> Triple Pane <input type="checkbox"/> Double Pane w/ Low-E <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	-
1.12 Infiltration Rate of Area Served by Unit <sup>3</sup> : <input type="checkbox"/> Very Leaky <input type="checkbox"/> Leaky <input type="checkbox"/> Average <input type="checkbox"/> Tight <input type="checkbox"/> Very Tight	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.13 Design Latent Heat Gain: _____ BTUh	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.14 Design Sensible Heat Gain: _____ BTUh	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.15 Design Total Heat Gain: _____ BTUh	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.16 Design Total Heat Loss: _____ BTUh	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.17 Design Airflow: _____ CFM	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>2. Selected Cooling Equipment OR Heat Pump Equipment - If Applicable</b>		
2.1 Replacement Equipment is ENERGY STAR Certified (ENERGY STAR Certified equipment is mandatory)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.2 AHRI Certificate Attached	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.3 AHRI Reference #: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.4 AHRI Listed Efficiency: _____ EER _____ SEER _____ HSPF	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.5 Nominal Tonnage of Unit Being Replaced: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.6 Nominal Tonnage of Replacement Unit: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.7 Replacement Equipment Listed Sys. Latent Cooling Capacity at Design Cond.: _____ BTUh	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.8 Replacement Equipment Listed Sys. Sensible Cooling Capacity at Design Cond.: _____ BTUh	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.9 Replacement Equipment Listed Sys. Total Cooling Capacity at Design Cond.: _____ BTUh	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.10 Listed Sys. Total Cooling Capacity (Value 2.9) is 95-115% of Design Total Heat Gain (Value 1.15) or next size <sup>4</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>3. Selected Furnace - If Applicable</b>		
3.1 Replacement Equipment is ENERGY STAR Certified (ENERGY STAR certified equipment is mandatory)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.2 Furnace Manufacturer: _____ Model #: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.3 Fuel Type: <input type="checkbox"/> Natural Gas <input type="checkbox"/> LP Gas <input type="checkbox"/> Oil <input type="checkbox"/> Electric	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.4 BTU Input of Unit Being Replaced: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.5 BTU Input of Replacement Unit: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.6 Listed Output Heating Capacity of Replacement Unit: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.7 Listed Efficiency of Replacement Unit: _____ AFUE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.8 Listed Output Heating Capacity (Value 3.6) is 100-140% of Design Total Heat Loss (Value 1.16) or next nominal size <sup>5</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.9 System Has Dedicated Combustion Air From Outside <sup>6</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>4. Duct Leakage</b>		
4.1 Duct Leakage Goal: <input type="checkbox"/> ≤ 20% Total (Item 4.3 not required) <input type="checkbox"/> 50% Improvement (Item 4.3 required)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.2 Method to Measure Duct Leakage: <input type="checkbox"/> Duct Pressurization or Depressurization Test <sup>7</sup> <input type="checkbox"/> Airflow Comparison Method <sup>8</sup> <input type="checkbox"/> Hybrid Blower Door / Airflow Measuring Device Subtraction (e.g. Flowhood) <sup>9</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.3 Total Duct Leakage Pre-Installation <sup>10</sup> : _____ %	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.4 Total Duct Leakage Post-Installation <sup>11</sup> : _____ %	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.5 Improvement: _____ % (calculated as the difference between 4.4 and 4.3 divided by 4.3)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



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5. Air Flow Tests			
5.1 Measurement Method:	<input type="checkbox"/> Total External Static Pressure/Blower Table <input type="checkbox"/> Flow Grid Measurement <input type="checkbox"/> Temperature Rise (heating only)	<input type="checkbox"/> Traversing Anemometer <input type="checkbox"/> Pressure Drop Across Unrestricted/Clean Coil <input type="checkbox"/> Pressure Matching Method	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
5.2 Air volume at dry evaporator in cooling mode:	_____ CFM		<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
5.3 Return Side Static Pressure:	_____ IWC		<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
5.4 Marked Return Test Hole Location:	_____		<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
5.5 Supply Side Static Pressure:	_____ IWC		<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
5.6 Marked Supply Test Hole Location:	_____		<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
5.7 Total External Static Pressure:	_____ IWC		<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
5.8 OEM Maximum Allowable Total External Static Pressure:	_____ IWC		<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
5.9 Airflow volume (Value 5.2), at fan design speed, is within $\pm 15\%$ of the airflow required per system design (Value 1.17)			<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
6. Refrigerant Tests – Run system for 10 minutes before testing			
For systems with Thermal Expansion Valve (TXV) only: <i>Complete 6.1a – 6.5a below<sup>12</sup></i>		For systems with Fixed Orifice only: <i>Complete items 6.1b – 6.5b below</i>	
6.1a Outdoor ambient temperature at condenser: _____ °F DB	6.1b Outdoor ambient temperature at evaporator: _____ °F DB	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6.2a Condenser saturation temperature: _____ °F DB <sup>13</sup>	6.2b Evaporator saturation temperature: _____ °F DB <sup>14</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6.3a Subcooling value: _____ °F DB <sup>15</sup>	6.3b Superheat value: _____ °F DB <sup>16</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6.4a OEM subcooling goal: _____ °F DB	6.4b OEM superheat goal: _____ °F DB	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6.5a Subcooling deviation: _____ °F DB <sup>17</sup>	6.5b Superheat deviation: _____ °F DB <sup>18</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6.6 Liquid line pressure: _____ psig		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6.7 Liquid line temperature: _____ °F DB		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6.8 Value 6.5a is $\pm 3^\circ\text{F}$ OR Value 6.5b is $\pm 5^\circ\text{F}$			
6.9 If OEM test procedure has been used in place of sub-cooling, documentation has been attached that defines this procedure and documents the refrigerant test's compliance with the procedure		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Electrical Measurements – Taken at electrical disconnect while component is in operation			
7.1 Evaporator or furnace air handler fan:	_____ amperage _____ line voltage	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7.2 Outdoor unit:	_____ amperage _____ line voltage	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7.3 Electrical measurements within OEM-specified tolerance of nameplate value		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Combustion Performance – If furnace installed			
8.1 Combustion Test: Altitude Derating Factor: _____ Manifold Pressure: _____ IWC Orifice Size (for gas appliances): _____ Nozzle gallons per hour (for oil appliances) _____ gph Nameplate Temp. Rise Range: _____ °F DB Measured Temp. Rise: _____ °F DB		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8.2 Combustion Analyzer <sup>19</sup> : CO (undiluted): _____ PPM Stack Temperature: _____ °F Efficiency: _____ % Draft Pressure: _____ Pa Notation explaining why certain tests were not performed: _____		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Combustion Safety – When CAZ is in home's pressure boundary and any changes may affect operation of any combustion appliance			
9.1 Pass of Combustion Appliance Zone Test <sup>20</sup> (includes ambient CO test)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9.2 All New and Existing Combustion Appliances Pass Flue Tests <sup>21</sup> (spillage, draft and undiluted CO)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Other			
10.1 Operating and safety controls meet OEM requirements		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10.2 Filter located and installed so as to facilitate access and regular service by the owner			
10.3 Filter access panel includes gasket or comparable sealing mechanism and fits snugly against the exposed edge of filter when closed to prevent bypass.		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10.4 Corrosion-resistant drain pan, properly sloped to drainage system, included with each HVAC component that produces condensate and overflow switch or sensor is installed and operational		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

HVAC Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

System Designer Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Crew Leader Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Crew Leader Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Credentialing or Oversight Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

To which organization that this Contractor Checklist will be submitted in order to obtain the ENERGY STAR Certification for the HVAC System being Verified

<sup>1</sup> The whole-house ventilation air flow and local exhaust air flows shall be measured by the Contractor using a flow hood, flow grid, anemometer (in accordance with AABC, NEBB or ASHRAE procedures), or substantially equivalent method.

<sup>2</sup> Full load calculations vary by software. Full load calculations often include: load short form / load preview report, total building summary loads, building analysis, component constructions, project summary/project report, worksheet(s), and drawing(s). Room-by-room load calculations are not a requirement. Mechanical ventilation (if present) should be accounted for in the load calculations.

<sup>3</sup> Method to determine infiltration rate to be consistent with Manual J v8 protocols and guidance

<sup>4</sup> Or Manual S equivalent measure. For heat pumps, 95% to 125% of total cooling requirements (for heat pumps with heating dominated requirement).

<sup>5</sup> Or Manual S equivalent measure.

<sup>6</sup> Exception allowed for ENERGY STAR Certified oil furnaces that are atmospherically vented

<sup>7</sup> Duct leakage is measured using a duct pressurization test through a calibrated fan or orifice. Duct registers are sealed, a fan is attached to one opening, the ducts are pressurized, and the amount of air flowing through the fan is quantified. A commonly known system is Duct Blaster<sup>®</sup>; there are several others as well (ACCA Standard 5, section 5.1.2, footnote 13).

<sup>8</sup> Total room supply CFMs and return CFMs compared with blower capability (e.g., airflow measuring device method: Commonly referred to as a Flow Hood<sup>™</sup>, Shortridge or Balometer<sup>™</sup>, Alnor), as per procedures specified by ACCA, AABC, ASHRAE, NEBB and TABB (ACCA Standard 5, section 5.1.2, footnote 14).

<sup>9</sup> A calibrated fan measures whole-building positive or negative pressure on the building, then duct leakage is measured by placing an airflow capture hood over the grilles and registers (ACCA Standard 5, section 5.1.2, footnote 15).

<sup>10</sup> Calculated by measured total duct leakage pre-installation divided by Item 5.2 (Air volume at dry evaporator in cooling mode).

<sup>11</sup> Calculated by measured total duct leakage post-installation divided by Item 5.2 (Air volume at dry evaporator in cooling mode).

<sup>12</sup> If outdoor ambient air temperatures are below a manufacturer's specification when performing cold weather charging procedures, Contractor shall fill out section 6.1 (a) or 6.1 (b) and mark "N/A" for items 6.2 through 6.9

<sup>13</sup> Use Value 6.6.

<sup>14</sup> Using value of item 6.6.

<sup>15</sup> Value of item 6.2a - value of item 6.6.

<sup>16</sup> Value of item 6.2b – value of item 6.6.

<sup>17</sup> Value of item 6.3a – value of item 6.4a.

<sup>18</sup> Value of item 6.3b – value of item 6.4b.

<sup>19</sup> Testing procedures need to be compliant with local code and manufacturers' specifications. Drilling of PVC or metal flue piping may or may not be permitted, and testing of the flue's termination point may not be safely accessible (e.g., on a rooftop). In situations where testing procedures cannot be performed, Contractor may note "N/A"

<sup>20</sup> CAZ Testing may be performed using BPI Technical Standards for the Building Analyst Professional v1/4/12, Worst Case Depressurization Protocols as outlined in the RESNET Standards Chapter 8 Section 807 "Worst Case Depressurization Test", ASTM E1998 – 02(2007), or ANSI/ACCA QH-12 – 2011 (Existing Home Performance Evaluation and Improvement). Unless required by H-QUITO, program, or other AHJ, Verifier should follow the same CAZ Testing protocol used by Contractor.

<sup>21</sup> Spillage Testing may be performed using BPI Technical Standards for the Building Analyst Professional v1/4/12, ASTM-E1998 – 02(2007), or Spillage protocols in Section 807.12, 807.13, and 807.14 in the Worst Case Depressurization Protocols as outlined in the RESNET Standards Chapter 8 Section 807 "Worst Case Depressurization Test". Unless required by H-QUITO, program, or other AHJ, Verifier should follow the same Spillage Testing protocol used by Contractor. Flue Testing may be performed using BPI Technical Standards for the Building Analyst Professional v1/4/12 or ASTM-E1998 – 02(2007). Unless required by H-QUITO, program, or other AHJ, Verifier should follow the same Flue Testing protocol used by Contractor.