An ENERGY STAR Quality Control Checklist shall be completed during each quality control file review and field review (QC review) of buildings being certified through the ENERGY STAR Multifamily New Construction program's ERI Path in accordance with the policies and procedures of the Home Certification Organization (HCO)¹. This revision of the QC checklist is mandatory for buildings certified under Version 1 / 1.1 / 1.2, Revision 04. QC reviews for buildings certified using earlier Revisions may continue to use the prior matching revision of this document, which can be found in the <u>Archives</u>. Review complete instructions on page 6 below.

ENERGY STAR Quality Control Checklist

| Building Name: | | Number of Units: | Permi | t Date: | | _ |
|---|---|---|---|----------------|---------|-----|
| Building Address: | | City: | | State: | | |
| QC Review | | | | | | |
| | Unit Number: | Common Spaces: | | | | |
| | Rater Being QC'd: | Status of Building: D Pre | -drywall 🛛 Final con | struction or o | complet | ted |
| Original Rating | Energy Rating Company: | □ | Confirmed as ENER | GY STAR Pa | artner | |
| Pre-Drywall Inspection: | | Rater ID #: Da | | | | ete |
| Final Inspection: | | Rater ID #: Da | | | | |
| Action Items / Su | Immary of QC | | | Yes | No | N/A |
| If any Item marked "I | No" or "Not Verified," an action/exp | anation summary document shall be attach | ed. | | - | |
| Documentation (| Collection | | | Yes | No | N/A |
| A) Energy Rating Fil | e collected. | | | | | |
| B) Documentation c certified to the sa | | lwelling units in the multifamily building wer | e registered and | | | |
| C) National Rater De | esign Review Checklist collected, v | ith no applicable Items left blank. | | | | - |
| D) Documentation th | at builder or developer has an ENI | RGY STAR partnership agreement. | | | | - |
| E) Documentation the | at Rater has an ENERGY STAR p | rtnership agreement. | | | | - |
| F) Documentation that Rater completed EPA-recognized training and is credentialed by an HCO. | | | | | | - |
| | | A – HVAC Grading by Rater was pursued | | | | |
| Design Suppleme ACCA 310, HVAC blank. | nt(s) to Std. 310 for Dwellings & U design report(s) compliant with Al | nt with ANSI / RESNET / ACCA 310 and th its, collected, and for common spaces using SI / RESNET / ACCA 310 collected, with no | ANSI / RESNET / papplicable Items left | | | |
| H) National HVAC De Items left blank. | esign Supplement to Std. 310 for 0 | ommon Spaces & Central Systems collecte | d, with no applicable | | | |
| I) For all systems using ANSI / RESNET / ACCA 310, ANSI / RESNET / ACCA 310 design review criteria have been met for applicable housing type. | | | | | | |
| | If Track B | - HVAC Testing by FT Agent was pursue | d: | | | I |
| G) ENERGY STAR N | ational HVAC Design Report colle | cted, with no applicable Items left blank. | | | | |
| J) National Rater Fie | eld Checklist collected, with no Iter | s left blank or marked Must Correct. | | | | - |
| List of any exer | mptions or alternatives used by the | Rater. | | | | |
| Per 1.2, 3.5, ar | nd/or 3.6, documentation collected | on alternative UA calculations, if used for co | mpliance. | | | |
| Per 5b.1, writte | n approval from designer collected | if installed models do not match Design Re | port. | | | |
| Per 7.3 and 8.3 | B, documentation collected of the n | easured ventilation airflows in common spa | ces. | | | |
| Per 12.1, docu | mentation collected on exemption | or safety concerns, if used for compliance. | | | | |
| Per 12.3, documentation collected that 90% fixtures are LEDs or lighting power density calculations collected for common spaces and shared garages. | | | | | | |
| Per 14.1, for buildings 50,000 ft and larger, documentation collected confirming the strategy used to enable the collection of monthly or annual building-level energy consumption data. | | | | | | |
| Rater Name, R | ater inspection dates, and Rater ir | tials are recorded. | | | | - |
| lf any Builder V | erified Items are used, builder em | loyee, builder inspection date and builder in | itials are recorded. | | | |
| If any LP Verified Items are used, Licensed Professional, LP inspection date and LP initials are recorded. | | | | | | |



| K) National HVAC Functional Testing Checklist(s) collected for common space systems and Dwelling Unit systems with no applicable Items left blank and with all HVAC systems in the building fully documented. Exception: Where credentialed HVAC Contractor(s) are completing the National HVAC Functional Testing Checklist, the checklist is not required to be collected. For Track A, Sections 2 and 3 do not need to be completed for systems meeting Items 5a.1-5a.3 of the Rater Field Checklist. Where sampling was used by the Functional Testing Agent, documentation collected that describes the sampling plan and confirms the appropriate number of tests were completed. | | | |
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| L) Documentation collected that Functional Testing Agent(s) held credential required to complete the National HVAC Functional Testing Checklist(s) and were listed on the appropriate online directory at the time of certification. | | | - |
| Energy Rating File | Yes | No | N/A |
| Energy Rating file passes the Home Certification Organization's (HCO's) quality control review checklist. ¹ | | | - |
| ERI of the dwelling unit meets or exceeds the ENERGY STAR ERI Target for the program version applicable at the time of certification. | | | - |
| Energy Rating file is consistent with the National Rater Design Review Checklist | | | - |
| 2.1.2 Modeled dwelling unit fenestration meets or exceeds 2009 IECC or, for National v1.2, 2021 IECC residential chapter. ² | | | - |
| 3.1.2 Modeled dwelling unit ceiling, wall, floor, and slab insulation levels meet or exceed values from the Residential chapter or the "Group R" column in the Commercial chapter of the 2009 IECC, or for National v1.2, the 2021 IECC. ² | | | - |
| Energy Rating file is consistent with the National Rater Field Checklist | | | - |
| 1.3 Modeled insulation achieves Grade I install. per ANSI / RESNET / ICC 301. ² | | | - |
| 3.1, 3.2 & 3.3 Modeled attic insulation meets minimum R-value at perimeter, platforms and attic covers. ² | | | |
| 3.4 For slabs on grade in CZ 4-8, slab edge modeled with ≥ R-5 insulation at depth of 2 ft., or 4 ft. for heated slabs in CZ 6-8. ² | | | |
| 3.5 & 3.6 Modeled concrete floor slabs are consistent with UA requirements or alternatives. ² | | | |
| 3.7 Modeled above grade walls are consistent with documented thermal bridging strategy (3.7.1, 3.7.2 or 3.7.3). ² | | | - |
| 6.3 Modeled supply and return ducts in unconditioned space are insulated to R-6. ² | | | |
| 6.4 & 6.5 Modeled duct leakage is consistent with total leakage and, in townhouses only, leakage to outdoors limits. ² | | | |
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| 7.1 Modeled ventilation rate is within ± 15 CFM or ± 15% of dwelling unit design report value (2.7), and meets or exceeds rates required by ASHRAE 62.2-2010.² | | | - |
| 7.1 Modeled ventilation rate is within ± 15 CFM or ± 15% of dwelling unit design report value (2.7), and meets or exceeds | □ Yes | | - N/A |
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| 7.1 Modeled ventilation rate is within ± 15 CFM or ± 15% of dwelling unit design report value (2.7), and meets or exceeds rates required by ASHRAE 62.2-2010.² National Rater Design Review Checklist 2.2.1 Rater documentation that installed common space fenestration meets or exceeds ENERGY STAR MF Reference | Yes | No | N/A |
| 7.1 Modeled ventilation rate is within ± 15 CFM or ± 15% of dwelling unit design report value (2.7), and meets or exceeds rates required by ASHRAE 62.2-2010.² National Rater Design Review Checklist 2.2.1 Rater documentation that installed common space fenestration meets or exceeds ENERGY STAR MF Reference Design Req'ts.² 3.2 Rater documentation that installed common space ceiling, wall, floor, and slab-on-grade insulation levels meet or exceed either the Residential chapter or the "All Other" column in the Commercial chapter of the 2009 IECC, or | Yes | No | N/A |
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| 7.1 Modeled ventilation rate is within ± 15 CFM or ± 15% of dwelling unit design report value (2.7), and meets or exceeds rates required by ASHRAE 62.2-2010.² National Rater Design Review Checklist 2.2.1 Rater documentation that installed common space fenestration meets or exceeds ENERGY STAR MF Reference Design Req'ts.² 3.2 Rater documentation that installed common space ceiling, wall, floor, and slab-on-grade insulation levels meet or exceed either the Residential chapter or the "All Other" column in the Commercial chapter of the 2009 IECC, or for National v1.2 the 2021 IECC.² If Track A – HVAC Grading by Rater was pursued: 4a.4 Dwelling Units: Total occupant gains do not exceed 645 Btuh per occupant.² | Yes | No | N/A |
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| 7.1 Modeled ventilation rate is within ± 15 CFM or ± 15% of dwelling unit design report value (2.7), and meets or exceeds rates required by ASHRAE 62.2-2010.² National Rater Design Review Checklist 2.2.1 Rater documentation that installed common space fenestration meets or exceeds ENERGY STAR MF Reference Design Req'ts.² 3.2 Rater documentation that installed common space ceiling, wall, floor, and slab-on-grade insulation levels meet or exceed either the Residential chapter or the "All Other" column in the Commercial chapter of the 2009 IECC, or for National v1.2 the 2021 IECC.² If Track A – HVAC Grading by Rater was pursued: 4a.4 Dwelling Units: Total occupant gains do not exceed 645 Btuh per occupant.² 4a.5 Dwelling Units: Non-occupant internal gains are less than 3,600 Btuh. 4a.6 Dwelling Units: Cooling sizing % is within the cooling sizing limit selected by HVAC designer. 4a.7 Common Spaces: Item 2.3 is completed for all required spaces in the building. 4a.8 Common Spaces: Item 2.4 is equal to or greater than Item 2.3. If Track B – HVAC Testing by FT Agent was pursued: 4b.2 National HVAC Design Report(s) reviewed for the following parameters (National MFNC HVAC Design Report Item # 4b.2.2 Cooling season and heating season outdoor design temperatures used in loads (3.4) are within the limits defined for the State and County, or US Territory, where the building will be built, or the designet has provided an allowance from EPA to use alternative values. All limits are published at www.energystar.gov/hvacdesigntemps. Note that revised (i.e., 2019 Edition) limits are required to be used for all HVAC Design Reports generated after 07/01/2020.² 4b.2.3.1 (bumber of occupants used in loads (3.6) is within ± 2 of the dwelling unit being reviewed and total occupant gains (3.7) do not exceed 645 Btuh per occupant.² | Yes | No | N/A |
| 7.1 Modeled ventilation rate is within ± 15 CFM or ± 15% of dwelling unit design report value (2.7), and meets or exceeds rates required by ASHRAE 62.2-2010. ² National Rater Design Review Checklist 2.2.1 Rater documentation that installed common space fenestration meets or exceeds ENERGY STAR MF Reference Design Req'ts. ² 3.2 Rater documentation that installed common space ceiling, wall, floor, and slab-on-grade insulation levels meet or exceed either the Residential chapter or the "All Other" column in the Commercial chapter of the 2009 IECC, or for National v1.2 the 2021 IECC. ² If Track A – HVAC Grading by Rater was pursued: 4a.4 Dwelling Units: Total occupant gains do not exceed 645 Btuh per occupant. ² 4a.5 Dwelling Units: Non-occupant internal gains are less than 3,600 Btuh. 4a.6 Dwelling Units: Cooling sizing % is within the cooling sizing limit selected by HVAC designer. 4a.7 Common Spaces: Item 2.3 is completed for all required spaces in the building. 4a.8 Common Spaces: Item 2.4 is equal to or greater than Item 2.3. If Track B – HVAC Testing by FT Agent was pursued: 4b.2 National HVAC Design Report(s) reviewed for the following parameters (National MFNC HVAC Design Report Item # db.2.2 Cooling season and heating season outdoor design temperatures used in loads (3.4) are within the limits defined for the State and County, or US Territory, where the building will be built, or the designer has provided an allowance from EPA to use alternative values. All limits are published at www.energystar.gov/hvacdesigntemps. Note that revised (i.e., 2019 Edition) limits are required to be used for all HVAC Design Reports generated after 07/01/2020. ² 4b.2.3 Number of occupants used in loads (3.6) is within ± 2 of the dwelling unit being reviewed and total occupant gains (3.7) do not exceed 645 Btuh per occupant. ² 4b.2.4 Conditioned floor area used in loads (3.8) is between 100 s | Yes Yes indicated in p | No | N/A |
| 7.1 Modeled ventilation rate is within ± 15 CFM or ± 15% of dwelling unit design report value (2.7), and meets or exceeds rates required by ASHRAE 62.2-2010. ² National Rater Design Review Checklist 2.2.1 Rater documentation that installed common space fenestration meets or exceeds ENERGY STAR MF Reference Design Req'ts. ² 3.2 Rater documentation that installed common space ceiling, wall, floor, and slab-on-grade insulation levels meet or exceed either the Residential chapter of the "All Other" column in the Commercial chapter of the 2009 IECC, or for National v1.2 the 2021 IECC. ² If Track A – HVAC Grading by Rater was pursued: 4a.4 Dwelling Units: Total occupant gains do not exceed 645 Btuh per occupant. ² 4a.5 Dwelling Units: Non-occupant internal gains are less than 3,600 Btuh. 4a.6 Dwelling Units: Cooling sizing % is within the cooling sizing limit selected by HVAC designer. 4a.7 Common Spaces: Item 2.3 is completed for all required spaces in the building. 4a.8 Common Spaces: Item 2.4 is equal to or greater than Item 2.3. If Track B – HVAC Testing by FT Agent was pursued: 4b.2 National HVAC Design Report(s) reviewed for the following parameters (National MFNC HVAC Design Report Item # 4b.2.2 Cooling season and heating season outdoor design temperatures used in loads (3.4) are within the limits defined for the State and County, or US Territory, where the building will be built, or the designer has provided an allowance from EPA to use alternative values. All limits are published at www.energystar.gov/hvacdesigntemps. Note that revised (i.e., 2019 Edition) limits are required to be used for all HVAC Design Reports generated after 07/01/2020. ² 4b.2.3 Number of occupants used in loads (3.6) is within ± 2 of the dwelling unit being reviewed and total occupant gains (3.7) do not exceed 645 Btuh per occupant. ² 4b.2.4 Conditioned floor area used in loads (3.6) is between 100 s | Yes Yes indicated in p ind | No | N/A |



| 4b.2.8 Non-occupant internal gains (3.13) are less than 3,600 Btuh. | | | | |
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| 4b.2.9 Sensible & total heat gain are documented (3.15, 3.17) for the orientation of the dwelling unit being reviewed. ² | | | | |
| 4b.2.10 Cooling sizing % (4.18) is within the cooling sizing limit (4.19) selected by the HVAC designer. | | | | |
| 4b.2.11 Common Spaces: Item 2.8 is completed for all required spaces in the building. | | | | |
| 4b.2.12 Common Spaces: Item 2.9 is equal to or greater than Item 2.8. | | | | |
| National Rater Field Checklist As an alternative, complete and attach the National Rater Field Checklist, Version 1 / 1.1 / 1.2 (Rev. 04). | Yes | No | Not Verified | N/A |
| 1. High-Performance Fenestration & Insulation | | | | |
| 1.2 Accessible insulation in dwelling units (ceiling, wall, floor, and slab) and Rater's documentation of insulation matches meets or exceeds specification in Item 3.1 of the Rater Design Review Checklist. ² | the ene | ergy rat | ing file a | and |
| 3.1.2 Either the Residential chapter or the "Group R" column in the Commercial chapter of the 2009 IECC or, for National v1.2, the 2021 IECC. | | | | |
| 1.2 Accessible insulation in common spaces (ceiling, wall, floor, and slab) and Rater's documentation of insulation specifi levels specified in Item 3.2 of the Rater Design Review Checklist. ^{2,3} | cations | s meets | ; or exce | eds |
| 3.2 Either the Residential chapter or the "All Other" column in the Commercial chapter of the 2009 IECC or, for National v1.2, the 2021 IECC. | | | | |
| 1.3 All visible insulation achieves Grade I install. per ANSI / RESNET / ICC 301. ² | | | | |
| 1.5 Heated plenums in unconditioned space or ambient conditions meet the following requirements: ² | | | | |
| 1.5.1 Sides of heated plenum are an air barrier and insulated to ≥ R-3ci in CZ 1-4; ≥ R-5ci in CZ 5-6; ≥ R-7.5ci in CZ 7; ≥ R-9.5ci in CZ 8, AND; | | | | |
| 1.5.2 Insulation at top of plenum meets Item 3.6 where applicable. Otherwise, meets or exceeds the R-value for mass floors from the "All Other" column of Table 502.2(1) of 2009 IECC, AND; | | | | |
| 1.5.3 Bottom of heated plenum has at least R-13 insulation. ² | | | | |
| 1.6 Garages with space heating meet the following requirements: ² | | . | | T |
| 1.6.1 Insulation on above grade walls and walls on the first story below grade ≥ R-5ci in CZ 5-6; ≥ R-7.5ci in CZ 7; ≥ R-9.5ci in CZ 8, AND ; | | | | |
| 1.6.2 Ceiling insulation meets Item 3.6 where applicable. Otherwise, meets or exceeds the R-value for mass floors from the "All Other" column of Table 502.2(1) of 2009 IECC. | | | | |
| 3. Reduced Thermal Bridging | | | | |
| The following items must be verified in the dwelling unit being reviewed and 50% of common spaces where the condition | is pres | ent: | | |
| 3.1 For insulated ceilings with attic space above (i.e., non-cathedralized), Grade I insulation extends to the inside face of the exterior wall below and is ≥ R-21 in CZ 1-5; ≥ R-30 in CZ 6-8. ² | | | | |
| 3.3 Insulation beneath attic platforms (e.g., HVAC platforms, walkways) ≥ R-21 in CZ 1-5; ≥ R-30 in CZ 6-8. | | | | |
| 3.5 Visible above-grade and at-grade concrete floor edges (e.g., podiums, balconies) in CZ 4-8, insulated to ≥ R-5 & aligned with the thermal boundary of the walls. At this boundary, concrete floors resting on mass walls must provide insulation that extends ≥8 ft. below the bottom of the floor edge & for floors resting on columns, the insulation surrounds the column, at a depth of 4ft. ² | | | | |
| 3.6 For concrete slab floors in CZ 4-8 above ambient conditions, garages, or unconditioned spaces outside the thermal boundary, accessible floor insulation meets the R-Value used in the UA calculation provided by the Rater. The U-factor documented by the Rater for the UA calculation meets the U-factor in Table 502.1.2 of the 2009 IECC for Group R when dwelling units are above the slab, & 'All Other' when common space is above the slab. | | | | |
| 4. Air Sealing | | | | |
| The following items must be verified in the dwelling unit being reviewed and 50% of common spaces where the condition leakage to exterior, adjacent buildings, or unconditioned spaces: | is pres | ent, to | reduce | air |
| 4.1 Visible ducts, flues, shafts, plumbing, piping, wiring, exhaust fans, & other penetrations to unconditioned space sealed, with blocking / flashing as needed. | | | | |
| 4.2 Recessed lighting fixtures adjacent to unconditioned space ICAT labeled and gasketed. | | | | |
| 4.7 Doors adjacent to unconditioned space (e.g., attics, garages, basements) or ambient conditions made substantially air-tight with door seal and weatherstripping or equivalent gasket. | | | | |
| 4.8 Attic access panels, roof hatches and drop-down stairs are gasketed (i.e., not caulked) or equipped with durable covers that are gasketed. ² | | | | |
| The following items must be additionally verified in the dwelling unit being reviewed: | | | | |
| 4.9 Doors serving as a unit entrance from a corridor/stairwell made substantially air-tight with door seal and weatherstripping or equivalent gasket. | | | | |
| 4.10 Reviewer-measured compartmentalization is no greater than 0.30 CFM50 per square feet of dwelling unit enclosure area, following procedures in ANSI / RESNET / ICC 380. ² | | | | |



| 4.10.1 For dwelling units with forced air distribution systems without ducted returns and air handlers located in a closet or space adjacent to unconditioned space, Reviewer-measured pressure difference between the space containing the air handler and the conditioned space during the compartmentalization test is no greater than 5 Pa. ² | | | | | |
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| 5. Hea | ting & Cooling Equipment – Complete Track A-HVAC Grading by Rater or Track B-HVAC Testing by FT Agent | Yes | No | Not Verified | N/A |
| | 5a.1 Blower fan volumetric airflow is Grade I or II per ANSI / RESNET / ACCA 310. | | | | |
| | 5a.2 Blower fan watt draw is Grade I or II per ANSI / RESNET / ACCA 310. | | | | |
| Track A | 5a.3 Refrigerant charge is Grade I per ANSI / RESNET / ACCA 310. 2 | | | | |
| | 5a.4 HVAC manufacturer & model number on installed equipment matches the HVAC Design Report in compliance with ANSI / RESNET / ACCA 310 or the HVAC Design Supplement to Std. 310 for Common Spaces and Central Systems. | | | | |
| Track B | 5b.1 In accordance with the checkbox selected by the Rater, HVAC manufacturer & model number on installed equipment matches either of the following (check box): ² □ National HVAC Design Report (4.6-4.9 & 4.25-4.26) □ Written approval received from designer. | | | | - |
| | ating and cooling eqpt. serving common spaces and garages, but not dwelling units, meet the efficiency levels in exhibit X. ^{2, 5} | | | | |
| Equipr | nent Controls | | | | |
| 5.9 A | Il heating and cooling systems serving the dwelling unit have thermostatic controls within the dwelling unit. | | | | |
| a | Where present, stair and elevator shaft vents are equipped with motorized dampers that are capable of being utomatically closed during normal building operation and are interlocked to open as required by fire and smoke etection systems. Dampers are verified to be closed at the time of inspection. | | | | |
| tr | reeze protection systems, such as heat tracing of piping and heat exchangers, including self-regulating heat acing, and garage / plenum heaters include automatic controls that are verified to shut off the systems when pipe all or garage / plenum temperatures are above 40°F. | | | | |
| 5.11.1 Where heat tracing is installed for freeze-protection, controls must be based on pipe wall temperature and a minimum of R-3 pipe insulation is also required. | | | | | |
| 5.12 Snow- and ice-melting systems include automatic controls that are verified to shut off the systems when the pavement temperature is above 50°F and no precipitation is falling, and an automatic or manual control is installed that is verified to shut off system when the outdoor temperature is above 40°F, so that the potential for snow or ice accumulation is negligible. | | | | | |
| Hydroi | nic Distribution Requirements – Applies to heating or cooling systems serving more than one dwelling unit | | | | |
| ri | or hydronic distribution systems, all terminal heating and cooling distribution equipment are separated from the ser or distribution loop by a control valve or terminal distribution pump, so that heated or cooled fluid is not elivered to the dwelling unit distribution equipment when there is no call from the thermostat. | | | | |
| | the dwelling unit being reviewed, terminal units in hydronic distribution systems are equipped with pressure independent balancing valves or pressure independent control valves. | | | | |
| | or circulating pumps serving hydronic htg. or clg. systems with 3-phase motors, 1 HP or larger, motors meet or xceed efficiency standards for NEMA Premium™ motors. If 5 HP or larger, also installed with VFDs. ² | | | | |
| 6. Duc | ct Quality Installation | | | | |
| | the dwelling unit being reviewed, ductwork installed without kinks, sharp bends, compressions, or excessive iled flexible ductwork. ² | | | | |
| wit me ha | I bedrooms provided with transfer grilles, jump ducts, dedicated return ducts, and/or undercut doors. Bedrooms th a design supply airflow \ge 150 CFM (per Item 5.2 on the National HVAC Design Report) achieve a Reviewer- easured pressure differential \ge -5 Pa and \le +5 Pa with respect to the main body of the dwelling unit when all air indlers are operating. Townhouses only: In addition, bedrooms with a design supply airflow < 150 CFM achieve a eviewer-measured pressure differential \ge - 3 Pa and \le +3 Pa. ² | | | | |
| | visible supply and return ducts in unconditioned space, including connections to trunk ducts, are insulated to R-6. ² | | | | |
| 6.4 Reviewer-measured total duct leakage in dwelling unit being reviewed (and common spaces using ANSI / RESNET / the following options: ^{2, 5} | | | | eets on | e of |
| 6.4. | 1 <u>Rough-in</u> : Tested per allowances below, with the air handler & all ducts, building cavities used as ducts, & duct boots installed. In addition, verified <u>all</u> duct boots sealed to finished surface, at final. ² <u>No ducted returns</u> : ² The greater of ≤ 3 CFM25 per 100 sq. ft. of CFA or ≤ 30 CFM. Additionally, the Reviewer-measured pressure difference between the space containing the air handler and the conditioned space, with the air handler running at high speed, is ≤ 5 Pa. For systems > 1 ton, increase by 1 Pa per half ton. <u>One or two ducted returns</u> : ² The greater of ≤ 4 CFM25 per 100 sq. ft. of CFA or ≤ 40 CFM. Three or more ducted returns: ² The greater of ≤ 6 CFM25 per 100 sq. ft. of CFA or ≤ 60 CFM. | | | | |



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| 6.4.2 Final: Tested per allowances below, with the air handler & all ducts, building cavities used as ducts, duct boots, & register grilles atop the finished surface (e.g., drywall, floor) installed. ² <u>No ducted returns</u>: ² The greater of ≤ 6 CFM25 per 100 sq. ft. of CFA or ≤ 60 CFM. Additionally, the Reviewer-measured pressure difference between the space containing the air handler and the conditioned space, with the air handler running at high speed is ≤ 5 Pa. For systems > 1 ton, increase by 1 Pa per half ton. <u>One or two ducted returns</u>: ² The greater of ≤ 8 CFM25 per 100 sq. ft. of CFA or ≤ 80 CFM. <u>Three or more ducted returns</u>: ² The greater of ≤ 12 CFM25 per 100 sq. ft. of CFA or ≤ 120 CFM. | | | | | | | |
| 6.5 Townhouses or ≤ 40 CFM | | wer-measured duct leakage to the o | utside the greater of \leq 4 CFM25 per 100 sq. ft. of CFA | | | | |
| | e of central e | exhaust ductwork serving four or mor | e dwelling units, serving the dwelling unit being reviewe | d meet | s one o | of the | <u> </u> |
| 6.7.1 <u>Rough-in</u> : Tested including horizontal run outs, trunks, branches, and take-offs up to, but not including, the grilles where the leakage does not exceed 25% of exhaust fan flow. ² | | | | | | | |
| | ested inclusiv ust fan flow. ² | | d the grilles where the leakage does not exceed 30% | | | | |
| 7. Dwelling-Un | it & Commo | on Space Mechanical Ventilation | Systems & Inlets in Return Duct | Yes | No | Not Verified | N/A |
| 7.1 Ventilation m (check box): □ National H | 2, 5 | | ent in the building matches either of the following itten approval received from designer | | | | |
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| meets or exc | eeds rates r | equired by ASHRAE 62.2-2010. ² | or ±15% of dwelling unit design values (2.7), and | | | | |
| | | ilation rate is within either ± 15 CFM equired by ASHRAE 62.1-2010. ^{2, 6} | or ±15% of common space design values (2.9), and | | | | |
| toggle wall s | witch, but no | | nction is not obvious (e.g., a label is required for a equipment). Townhouses only: In addition, the e to the occupant. | | | | |
| 7.5 For any outdoor air inlet connected to a ducted return of the dwelling unit HVAC system (Complete if present; otherwise check "N/A"): ² | | | | - | - | - | |
| 7.5.1 Controls automatically restrict airflow using a motorized damper during vent, off-cycle and occupant override. ² | | | | | | | |
| 7.5.2 Reviewer-measured vent. Rate is ≤ 15 CFM or 15% above design value at highest HVAC fan speed. ² | | | | | | | |
| 7.7 If dwelling-unit Vent System controller operates the dwelling unit HVAC fan, then HVAC fan operation is intermittent and either the fan type is ECM / ICM (4.12), or the controls will reduce the run-time by accounting for HVAC system heating or cooling hours. ² | | | | | | | |
| 7.9 If central exhaust fans, ≤ 1 HP, are installed as part of the dwelling-unit mechanical ventilation system, the lesser of 5 or 20% of the installed fans are verified as direct-drive, ECM, with variable speed controllers. If > 1 HP, the lesser of 5 or 20% of the fan motors meet or exceed efficiency standards for NEMA Premium [™] motors. ² | | | | | | | |
| 7.10 Air inlet loca | ations (Comp | plete if air inlet locations were installe | d (2.22, 2.23); otherwise check "N/A"): ² | - | - | - | |
| 7.10.1 Inlet(s) | pull ventilation | on air directly from outdoors and not | from attic, crawlspace, garage, or adjacent dwelling unit | | | | - |
| | | | etched-string distance from known contamination er exhausts and sources exiting the roof. ² | | | | - |
| 7.10.3 Inlet(s) | are provided | with rodent / insect screen with ≤ 0.5 | 5 inch mesh. | | | | - |
| 8. Local Mecha | nical Exha | ust (National HVAC Design Report I | em # indicated in parenthesis) | | | | |
| | | Exhaust – In each dwelling unit kito g Reviewer-measured airflow standa | hen and bathroom, a system is installed that exhausts c ards: ² | lirectly | to the c | outdoors | S |
| Location | | Continuous Rate | Intermittent Rate ² | | | | |
| 8.1 Kitchen | Airflow | \geq 5 ACH, based on kitchen volume ² | ≥ 100 CFM and, if not integrated with range, also ≥ 5 ACH based on kitchen volume 2 | | | | |
| 8.2 Bathroom | Airflow | ≥ 20 CFM | ≥ 50 CFM | | | | |
| Mechanical Ex | haust for C | ommon Spaces and Shared Gar | ages | | | | |
| 8.3 Reviewer-measured exhaust rates are ≥ ASHRAE 62.1-2010 rates (2c). ^{2, 6} | | | | | | | |
| | age exhaust | ventilation system is installed, it is ea | uipped with controls that sense CO and NO2. | | | | |
| 9. Filtration | | | | | | 1 | |
| 9.1 In the dwelling unit being reviewed, filter location capable of accepting MERV 6+ filter(s) installed in each ducted mechanical system serving an individual dwelling unit, where all return and mechanically supplied outdoor air passes through filter(s) prior to conditioning, and that facilitates access & regular service by the occupant or building maintenance staff. ^{2,3} | | | | | | | |
| 9.1.1 Filter access panel includes gasket and fits snugly against the edge of filter when closed to prevent bypass. ² | | | | | | | |



| 10. Combustion Appliances | Yes | No | Not Verified | N/A |
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| 10.1 Furnaces, boilers, and water heaters located within the building's pressure boundary are mechanically drafted or direct-vented. ^{2,5} | | | | |
| 10.2 In the dwelling unit being reviewed and all applicable common spaces, fireplaces located within the building's pressure boundary are direct-vented. ² | | | | |
| 10.3 In the dwelling unit being reviewed and all applicable common spaces, no unvented combustion appliances other than cooking ranges or ovens are located inside the building's pressure boundary. ² | | | | |
| 11. Domestic Hot Water | | | | |
| 11.2 Hot Water Equipment Min. Efficiency Levels for equipment serving common spaces but not dwelling units nor shared laundry: ² | | | | |
| 11.2.1 For non-electric equipment: if rated in EF or UEF, meet the efficiency levels specified in the ENERGY STAR Multifamily Reference Design; if rated in Et ≥85%, or for Nat'l v1.2 ≥90%. | | | | |
| 11.2.2 For electric equipment: ≥ 0.93 UEF, 0.95 EF or 95% Et. ² | | | | |
| 12. Lighting | | | | |
| 12.1 Common Space Lighting Controls: | | | | |
| 12.1.1 At least 50% of common spaces (including shared garages), except the building lobby, mechanical equipment rooms, and where automatic shutoff would endanger the safety of occupants, have occupancy sensors, programmed timers, or automatic bi-level lighting controls installed and operation has been verified. ² | | | | |
| 12.2 Exterior lighting controls: Fixtures, including parking lot fixtures, must include automatic switching on timers or photocell controls except fixtures intended for 24-hour operation, required for security, or associated with the electric meter for an individual dwelling unit. | | | | |
| 12.3 Common Spaces and Garages: For at least 50% of common spaces and garages, 90% of installed lighting fixtures are integrated LED fixtures or contain LED lamps. ² | | | | |
| 12.4 In at least 50% of all exterior and common spaces, lighting fixtures meet the efficiency requirements in the ENERGY STAR Multifamily Reference Design, except fixtures located on dwelling unit balconies. ² | | | | |
| 13. Appliances, Ceiling Fans, and Plumbing Fixtures | | | | |
| 13.2 Where installed in common spaces, refrigerators and dishwashers are ENERGY STAR certified and showerheads are WaterSense labeled. | | | | |
| 14. Whole Building Energy Consumption Data Acquisition Strategy | | | | |
| 14.1 For buildings 50,000 ft and larger, if the strategy involves a meter or other item installed at the location, this device has been confirmed as a strategy that enables the collection of monthly or annual building-level energy consumption data (electricity, natural gas, chilled water, steam, fuel oil, propane, etc.). ² | | | | |

Instructions for Performing Quality Control Review

- This checklist is used to document the quality control review of the items being verified by the Rater in the dwelling units and common spaces of an ENERGY STAR Multifamily New Construction building.
- One checklist shall be used to document all applicable items for one dwelling unit and the common space. Where more than one dwelling unit in a building is being reviewed, additional checklists shall be used for the additional dwelling units, but the common space only needs to be reviewed once per building.
- During File Review, complete the Action Items / Summary of QC, Documentation Collection, Energy Rating File and National Rater Design Review Checklist sections. During Field Review, complete the entire checklist.
- In accordance with the HCO's policies, a limited amount of the required QC Field Reviews may be performed at the pre-drywall stage. Mark
 items that are not yet installed as "N/A." 1
- Where a checklist item cannot be verified because it is not visible, not accessible, cannot be tested, or there are other extenuating circumstances, mark the box in the column "Not Verified," and include an explanation in an attached document.
- Additional items may be reviewed at the reviewer's discretion and included in the Additional Checklist Items and Exemptions report below.
- Items found to be out of compliance shall be corrected. If correction is not possible, the building's certification is required to be withdrawn (please contact the HCO for guidance).

Footnotes

- 1. Home Certification Organizations (HCOs) are independent organizations recognized by EPA to implement an ENERGY STAR certification program for single-family and multifamily homes and apartments using an Energy Rating Index (ERI) compliance path. Learn more and find a current list of HCOs at energystar.gov/partner resources/residential new/working/other participants/hco.
- 2. This item has been edited for space or has a footnote with an exemption or alternative. Refer to referenced program document for details. When an item is properly met using an exemption or alternative, mark the item as "Yes" and record a description in the Additional Checklist Items and Exemptions table.
- 3. While the QC Reviewer is not required to verify compliance with the insulation requirements in each common space, the QC Reviewer is required to review the ceiling insulation in at least one common space and floor insulation in at least one common space, if applicable.
- 4. For Items 5b.1, 5.6, 6.3, 6.4, 7.1, and 10.1 while the QC Reviewer is not required to verify compliance for each HVAC and ventilation system installed in the building, the QC Reviewer shall verify compliance for the systems serving the dwelling unit being reviewed and in addition,

the QC Reviewer shall verify compliance for a minimum of two systems that provide heating and/or cooling to a common space, and two systems that provide ventilation to a common space.

5. For Items 7.3 and 8.3, while the QC Reviewer is not required to verify compliance with the ventilation requirements in each common space, the QC Reviewer is required to review the Rater-provided common space ventilation test results for compliance. The QC Reviewer is then required to directly Reviewer-measure ventilation airflows for the lesser of 5 or 20% of the reported values.

Additional Checklist Items and Exemptions

| Additional Checklist Items - Use this space to list additional Items reviewed (attach additional pages, if needed) | | | | | | | |
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| Checklist/Section Name | Item # | Notes | Yes | No | Not Verified | N/A | |
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