

## ADDENDA

ANSI/ASHRAE Addendum q to ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 62.2-2010

# Ventilation and Acceptable Indoor Air Quality in Low-Rise Residential Buildings

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## FOREWORD

Historically, local exhaust fans have been permitted to serve the dual function of providing whole-house ventilation and local exhaust. When serving as dual-duty fans, the whole-house rate and the local exhaust rate have not been required to be additive. For example, a building with a continuous whole-house rate of 90 cfm is not required to install a 110 cfm fan in a bathroom to also provide the continuous exhaust rate for bathrooms of 20 cfm. Rather, a 90 cfm continuously operating bath fan is recognized to provide both the whole-house rate of 90 cfm and the continuous local exhaust rate of 20 cfm. This change is needed to clarify that the whole building ventilation rate can be credited towards the local exhaust rate, and that the rates are not required to be additive.

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

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## [Revise Section 4.2 as follows:]

**4.2** System Type. The whole-house ventilation system shall consist of one or more supply or exhaust fans and associated ducts and controls. Local exhaust fans shall be permitted to be part of a mechanical exhaust system. Where local exhaust fans are used to provide whole-house ventilation, the local exhaust airflow may be credited towards the whole-house ventilation airflow requirement. Outdoor air ducts connected to the return side of an air handler shall be permitted as supply ventilation if manufacturers' requirements for return air temperature are met. See Chapter 10 of Guideline 24<sup>2</sup> for guidance on selection of methods.

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