### A. Dwelling Mechanical Ventilation - General Information

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**Note:**
Non-dwelling units do not meet the definition for a dwelling unit as defined in Section 100.1(b). Non-dwelling units are not designed to provide independent living facilities and do not provide permanent provisions for living, sleeping, eating, cooking and sanitation.

### MCH-27c – Single Family and Multifamily – Scheduled and Real-Time Control

Intermittent ventilation systems, devices, or controls for use for compliance with field verification and diagnostic testing requirements for mechanical ventilation airflow are subject to a manufacturer providing sufficient evidence to the Executive Director that the installed mechanical ventilation systems, devices, or controls will provide at least the minimum ventilation airflow required by the Standards, and subject to consideration of the manufacturer’s proposed field verification and diagnostic test protocol for ventilation system(s).

Approved systems, devices, or controls, and field verification and diagnostic test protocols for intermittent mechanical ventilation systems shall be listed in directories published by the Energy Commission.
B. Other Requirements

The items listed below (6.1 through 6.6 and 6.8 through 6.9) correspond to the information given in ASHRAE 62.2 Section 6 "Other Requirements". Refer also to Chapter 4.6 of the Residential Compliance Manual (Section 4.6.8) for information describing these "Other Requirements". The signature of the Responsible Person in the declaration statement below certifies that the building complies with these requirements specified in ASHRAE 62.2 Section 6.1 through 6.9 if applicable.

6.1 Adjacent Spaces and Transfer Air. Measures shall be taken to minimize air movement across envelope components to dwelling units from adjacent spaces such as garages, unconditioned crawlspace, unconditioned attic, and other dwelling. Supply and balanced ventilation systems shall be designed and constructed to provide ventilation air directly from the outdoors.

6.1.1 Compliance for Attached Dwelling Units. One method of demonstrating compliance with Section 6.1 shall be to verify a leakage rate below a maximum of 0.3 cfm per ft² (150 L/s per 100 m²) of the dwelling unit envelope area (i.e., the sum of the area of walls between dwelling units, exterior walls, ceiling, and floor) at a test pressure of 50 Pa by a blower door test conducted in accordance with either ANSI/ASTME779 or ANSI/ASTM-E1827. The test shall be conducted with the dwelling unit as if it were exposed to outdoor air on all sides, top, and bottom by opening doors and windows of adjacent dwelling units.

6.2 Instructions and Labeling. Information on the ventilation design and/or ventilation systems installed, instructions on their proper operation to meet the requirements of this standard, and instructions detailing any required maintenance (similar to that provided for HVAC systems) shall be provided to the owner and the occupant of the dwelling unit. Controls shall be labeled to their function (unless that function is obvious, such as toilet exhaust fan switches). See Section 13 of ASHRAE Guideline 24-5 for information on instructions and labeling.

6.3 Clothes Dryers. Clothes dryers shall be exhausted directly to the outdoors.

6.4 Combustion and Solid-Fuel Burning Appliances.

6.4.1 Combustion and solid-fuel burning appliances must be provided with adequate combustion and ventilation air and installed in accordance with manufacturers' installation instructions; NFPA 54/ANSI Z223.1, National Fuel Gas Code; NFPA 31, Standard for the Installation of Oil-Burning Equipment; or NFPA 211, Standard for Chimneys, Fireplaces, Vents, and Solid-Fuel Burning Appliances, or other equivalent code acceptable to the building official.

6.4.2 Where atmospherically vented combustion appliances or solid-fuel burning appliances are located inside the pressure boundary, the total net exhaust flow of the two largest exhaust fans (not including a summer cooling fan intended to be operated only when windows or other air inlets are open) shall not exceed 15 cfm per 100 ft² (75 L/s per 100 m²) of occupiable space when in operation at full capacity. If the designed total net flow exceeds this limit, the net exhaust flow must be reduced by reducing the exhaust flow or providing compensating outdoor air. Gravity or barometric dampers in nonpowered exhaust makeup air systems shall not be used to provide compensating outdoor air. Atmospherically vented combustion appliances do not include direct-vent appliances. Combustion appliances that pass safety testing performed according to ANSI/BPI-1200, Standard Practice for Basic Analysis of Buildings, 21 shall be deemed as complying with Section 6.4.2.

6.5 Air tightness Requirements

6.5.1 Garages. When an occupiable space adjoins a garage, the design must prevent migration of contaminants to the adjoining occupiable space. Air seal the walls, ceilings, and floors that separate garages from occupiable space. To be considered air-sealed, all joints, seams, penetrations, openings between door assemblies and their respective jambs and framing, and other sources of air leakage through wall and ceiling assemblies separating the garage from the residence and its attic area shall be caulked, gasketed, weather stripped, wrapped, or otherwise sealed to limit air movement. Doors between garages and occupiable spaces shall be gasketed or made substantially airtight with weather stripping.

6.6 Ventilation Opening Area. Spaces shall have ventilation openings as listed below. Such openings shall meet the requirements of Section 6.8. Exception: Attached dwelling units and spaces that meet the local ventilation requirements set for bathrooms in Section 5 [of ASHRAE 62.2].

6.6.1 Habitable Spaces. Each habitable space shall be provided with ventilation openings with an openable area not less than 4% of the floor area or less than 5 ft² (0.5 m²).

6.6.2 Toilets and Utility Rooms. Toilets and utility rooms shall be provided with ventilation openings with an openable area not less than 0.3 cfm per 100 ft² (150 L/s per 100 m²) or 0.15 m² (0.15 ft²).

Exceptions:
1. Utility rooms with a dryer exhaust duct.
2. Toilet compartments in bathrooms.
6.8 Air Inlets. Air inlets that are part of the ventilation design shall be located a minimum of 10 ft (3 m) from known sources of contamination such as a stack, vent, exhaust hood, or vehicle exhaust. The intake shall be placed so that entering air is not obstructed by snow, plantings, or other material. Forced air inlets shall be provided with rodent/insect screens (mesh not larger than 1/2 in. [13 mm]). Exceptions:

1. Ventilation openings in the wall may be as close as a stretched-string distance of 3 ft (1 m) from sources of contamination exiting through the roof or dryer exhausts.
2. No minimum separation distance shall be required between windows and local exhaust outlets in kitchens and bathrooms.
3. Vent terminations covered by and meeting the requirements of the National Fuel Gas Code (NFPA 54/ANSI Z223.1) or equivalent.
4. Where a combined exhaust/intake termination is used to separate intake air from exhaust air originating in a living space other than kitchens, no minimum separation distance between these two openings is required. For these combined terminations, the exhaust air concentration within the intake airflow shall not exceed 10%, as established by the manufacturer.

6.9 Carbon Monoxide Alarms. A carbon monoxide alarm shall be installed in each dwelling unit in accordance with NFPA 720, *Standard for the Installation of Carbon Monoxide (CO) Detection and Warning Equipment*, and shall be consistent with requirements of applicable laws, codes, and standards.

The responsible person’s signature on this compliance document affirms that all applicable requirements in this table have been met.
C. Air Moving Equipment

The items listed below (7.1 through 7.4) correspond to the information given in ASHRAE 62.2 Section 7 "Air-Moving Equipment". Refer also to Chapter 4.6 of the Residential Compliance Manual (Section 4.6.9) for information describing these requirements in more detail. The signature of the Responsible Person in the declaration statement below certifies that the building complies with these requirements specified in ASHRAE 62.2 Section 7.1 through 7.4 if applicable.

01 7.1 Selection and Installation. Ventilation devices and equipment serving individual dwelling units shall be tested in accordance with ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 51/AMCA 210, Laboratory Methods of Testing Fans for Aerodynamic Performance Rating, and ANSI/AMCA Standard 300, Reverberant Room Method for Sound Testing of Fans, and rated in accordance with the airflow and sound rating procedures of the Home Ventilating Institute (HVI) (HVI 915, Loudness Testing and Rating Procedure; HVI 916, Air Flow Test Procedure; and HVI 920, Product Performance Certification Procedure Including Verification and Challenge). Installations of systems or equipment shall be carried out in accordance with manufacturers’ design requirements and installation instructions.

02 7.2 Sound Ratings for Fans. Ventilation fans shall be rated for sound at no less than the minimum airflow rate required by this standard as noted below. These sound ratings shall be at a minimum of 0.1 in. of water (25 Pa) static pressure in accordance with the HVI procedures referenced in Section 7.1.

Exception: HVAC air handlers and remote mounted fans need not meet sound requirements. To be considered for this exception, a remote mounted fan must be mounted outside the habitable spaces, bathrooms, toilets, and hallways, and there must be at least 4 ft (1 m) of ductwork between the fan and the intake grille.

7.2.1 Dwelling-Unit Ventilation or Continuous Local Exhaust Fans. These fans shall be rated for sound at a maximum of 1.0 sone.

7.2.2 Demand-Controlled Local Exhaust Fans. Bathroom exhaust fans used to comply with Section 5.2 shall be rated for sound at a maximum of 3 sones at one or more airflow settings greater than or equal to 100 cfm (47 L/s). Kitchen exhaust fans used to comply with Section 5.2 shall be rated for sound at a maximum of 3 sones at one or more airflow settings exceeding 400 cfm (189 L/s) need not comply.

Exceptions:
1. Fans with a minimum airflow setting exceeding 400 cfm (189 L/s) need not comply.
2. Kitchen Range hoods may be rated for sound at the static pressure determined at working speed as specified in HVI 916 section 7.

03 7.3 Exhaust Ducts.

7.3.1 Multiple Exhaust Fans Using One Duct. Exhaust fans in separate dwelling units shall not share a common exhaust duct. If more than one of the exhaust fans in a single dwelling unit shares a common exhaust duct, each fan shall be equipped with a backdraft damper to prevent the recirculation of exhaust air from one room to another through the exhaust ducting system.

7.3.2 Single Exhaust Fan Ducted to Multiple Inlets. Where exhaust inlets are commonly ducted across multiple dwelling units, one or more exhaust fans located downstream of the exhaust inlets shall be designed and intended to run continuously, or a system of one or more backdraft dampers shall be installed to isolate each dwelling unit from the common duct when the fan is not running.

04 7.4 Supply Ducts. Where supply outlets are commonly ducted across multiple dwelling units, one or more supply fans located upstream of all the supply outlets shall be designed and intended to run continuously, or a system of one or more backdraft dampers shall be installed to isolate each dwelling unit from the common duct when the fan is not running.

The responsible person’s signature on this compliance document affirms that all applicable requirements in this table have been met.
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   Documentation Author Signature: [Signature]
   Company: [Company]
   Date Signed: [Date]
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RESPONSIBLE PERSON'S DECLARATION STATEMENT

I certify the following under penalty of perjury, under the laws of the State of California:

1. The information provided on this Certificate of Verification is true and correct.
2. I am the certified HERS Rater who performed the verification identified and reported on this Certificate of Verification (responsible rater).
3. The installed features, materials, components, manufactured devices, or system performance diagnostic results that require HERS verification identified on this Certificate of Verification comply with the applicable requirements in Reference Appendices RA2, RA3, and the requirements specified on the Certificate of Compliance for the building approved by the enforcement agency.
4. The information reported on applicable sections of the Certificate(s) of Installation (CF2R) signed and submitted by the person(s) responsible for the construction or installation conforms to the requirements specified on the Certificate(s) of Compliance (CF1R) approved by the enforcement agency.
5. I will ensure that a registered copy of this Certificate of Verification shall be posted, or made available with the building permit(s) issued for the building, and made available to the enforcement agency for all applicable inspections. I understand that a registered copy of this Certificate of Verification is required to be included with the documentation the builder provides to the building owner at occupancy.

BUILDER OR INSTALLER INFORMATION AS SHOWN ON THE CERTIFICATE OF INSTALLATION

   Company Name (Installing Subcontractor, General Contractor, or Builder/Owner): [Company Name]
   Responsible Builder or Installer Name: [Name]
   CSLB License: [License]

HERS PROVIDER DATA REGISTRY INFORMATION

   Sample Group Number (if applicable): [Number]
   Dwelling Test Status in Sample Group (if applicable): [Status]

HERS RATER INFORMATION

   HERS Rater Company Name: [Company]
   Responsible Rater Name: [Name]
   Responsible Rater Certification Number w/ this HERS Provider: [Number]
   Responsible Rater Signature: [Signature]
   Date Signed: [Date]
CF3R-MCH-27c-H User Instructions

Section A. General Information
1. Building Unit Name: This field is filled out automatically. It is referenced from the CF2R-MCH-01, which must be completed prior to this document. This is the unique identifier for this dwelling unit. Needed mostly for multifamily dwelling units. Ventilation is calculated and provided for each dwelling unit individually.
2. Building Type: This field is filled out automatically. It is referenced from the CF1R. Values are “Single Family Attached”, “Single Family Detached” and “Multifamily”. User is allowed to overwrite imported value with “Non-dwelling unit” selection.
3. Project Scope: This field is filled out automatically. It is referenced from the CF1R.
   • If parent document is the CF1R-PRF-01, values are “Newly Constructed”, “Newly Constructed (Addition Alone)” and “Addition and/or Alteration”
   • If parent document is CF1R-NCB-01, values are “Newly Constructed” and “Newly Constructed (Addition Alone)”
   • If parent document is CF1R-ADD-01, values are “ADU Addition < 300 ft²”, “ADU Addition > 300 to < 400 ft²”, “ADU Addition > 400 to < 700 ft²” and “ADU Addition > 700 to < 1000 ft²”.
4. Total Conditioned Floor Area of Dwelling Unit: This field is filled out automatically. It is referenced from the CF2R-MCH-01.
5. Number of Bedrooms in Dwelling Unit: This field is filled out automatically. It is referenced from the CF2R-MCH-01.
6. Ventilation system Type: This may be filled out automatically or be user input.
   • If parent document is the CF1R-PRF-01, the value will be filled out automatically.
   • If building type is equal to Non-dwelling unit, an N/A value will be filled out automatically.
   • If parent document is the CF1R-NCB or CF1R-ADD, user selects from list of Supply, Exhaust, Balanced, Balanced – ERV, Balanced – HRV, Central Fan Integrated (CFI), Central Ventilation System – Supply and Central Ventilation System – Exhaust and Central Ventilation System Balanced.
7. Ventilation operation schedule: This may be filled out automatically or be user input.
   • Building type is equal to Non-dwelling unit; an N/A value will be filled out automatically.
   • User selects from list of Continuous, Short-Term Average, Scheduled and Real-time Control.
   • Note if “Ventilation System Type” (A06) = Central Fan Integrated & “Ventilation Operation Schedule” (A07) = Continuous; then user will not be allowed to proceed.