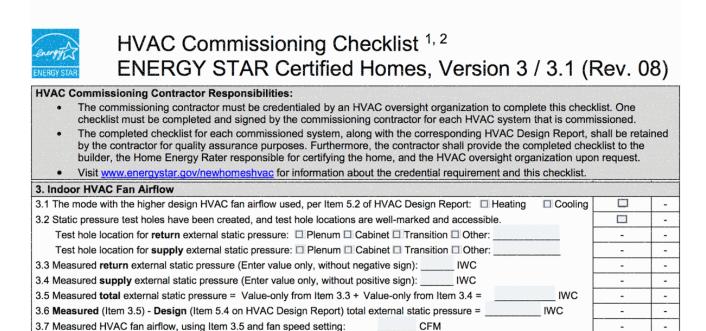
ENERGY STAR HVAC Commissioning Checklist: 3. Indoor HVAC Fan Airflow

When certifying a home to **ENERGY STAR Certified Homes, Version 3.0/3.1 (Rev. 08)** [1], the HVAC Installer completes the **HVAC Commissioning Checklist** [1] to document information about the contractor and house, refrigerant charge, HVAC fan air flow, and air balancing. One HVAC Commissioning Checklist is completed for each system installed. The HVAC installation contractor must make copies of the HVAC Commissioning Checklist available to the builder, the rater responsible for certifying the home, and the HVAC oversight organization, upon request.

This page shows the checklist requirement for Section 3. Indoor HVAC Fan Airflow and applicable footnotes.

For information on installing HVAC equipment, see installation guides linked to the HVAC section of the Rater Field Checklist [1].

For information on HVAC fan airflow, see the videos on "How to Measure HVAC Fan Airflow" [2] on the ENERGY STAR website and ANSI/ACCA 5 QI - 2015 HVAC Quality Installation Specification [3].



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Footnotes:

- 1. This Checklist is designed to align with the requirements of ANSI / ACCA's 5 QI-2015 [3] protocol, thereby improving the performance of HVAC equipment in new homes when compared to homes built to minimum code. However, these features alone cannot prevent all ventilation, indoor air quality, and HVAC problems (e.g., those caused by a lack of maintenance by occupants). Therefore, this Checklist is not a guarantee of proper ventilation, indoor air quality, or HVAC performance. This Checklist applies to split air conditioners, unitary air conditioners, air-source heat pumps, and water-source (i.e., geothermal) heat pumps up to 65 kBtuh with forced-air distribution systems (i.e., ducts) and to furnaces up to 225 kBtuh with forced-air distribution systems (i.e., ducts). All other permutations of equipment (e.g., boilers, mini-split / multi-split systems) and distribution systems are exempt.
- 2. For a home certified in the State of ID, MT, OR, or WA, the following alternatives and exemptions apply:

3.8 Measured HVAC fan airflow (Item 3.7) is ± 15% of design HVAC fan airflow (Item 5.2 on HVAC Design Report)

- a. For a home with an air-source heat pump up to 65 kBtuh with a forced-air distribution system (i.e., ducts), the contractor is permitted to complete the 2011 PTCS® Commissioned Heat Pump Certificate and Startup Form in lieu of this Checklist.
 - b. For a home with a split air conditioner or unitary air conditioner up to 65 kBtuh with a forced-air distribution system (i.e., ducts), the contractor is permitted to complete the Northwest Central AC Commissioning & Startup Form in lieu of this Checklist.
 - c. For a home in a location with < 600 CDD, the completion of this Checklist is recommended, but not required.
- **5.** This Revision of the HVAC Commissioning Checklist is required to certify all homes permitted after 07/01/2016, but is allowed to be used for any home permitted or completed prior to this date. The Home Energy Rater certifying the home may define the

'permit date' as either the date that the permit was issued or the date of the contract on the home. In cases where permit or contract dates are not available, Providers have discretion to estimate permit dates based on other construction schedule factors.

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