

**2026 Supplement to the 9th Edition (2026) Florida Building Code
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9th Edition (2026) Florida Building Code, Building

CHAPTER 1 SCOPE AND ADMINISTRATION

Revise section 102.2 to read as follows:

102.2 Building. The provisions of the *Florida Building Code* shall apply to the construction, erection, alteration, modification, repair, equipment, use and occupancy, location, maintenance, removal and demolition of every public and private building, structure or facility or floating residential structure, or any appurtenances connected or attached to such buildings, structures or facilities. Additions, alterations, repairs and changes of use or occupancy group in all buildings and structures shall comply with the provisions provided in the *Florida Building Code, Existing Building*. The following buildings, structures and facilities are exempt from the *Florida Building Code* as provided by law, and any further exemptions shall be as determined by the legislature and provided by law:

(a) – (g) No change

(h) Chickees constructed by the Miccosukee Tribe of Indians of Florida or the Seminole Tribe of Florida. As used in this paragraph, the term “chickee” means an open-sided wooden hut that has a thatched roof of palm, or palmetto, or other traditional materials; that may have a wooden deck; and that does not incorporate any electrical, plumbing, or other nonwood features, except that a chickee may:

1. Incorporate nonwood fasteners, including, but not limited to, nails, screws, bolts, nuts, washers, staples, and hurricane straps.
2. Incorporate electrical or plumbing features in accordance with a building permit for the incorporation of such features.

105.2 Work exempt from permit.

Revise section 105.2.3 to read as follows:

105.2.3 ~~Public service agencies.~~ Reserved. Single family dwelling work valued at less than \$7,500.

1. A local government that issues building permits shall exempt an owner of a single-family dwelling or the owner's contractor from the requirement to obtain a building permit to perform any work valued at less than \$7,500 on the owner's property.
2. The exemption under subparagraph 1. does not apply to any of the following:
 - a. Work on a property that is partially or entirely located in a flood hazard area as defined by the Florida Building Code.

- b. Any electrical, plumbing, structural, mechanical, or gas work performed on property containing a single-family dwelling. A construction project may not be divided into more than one project for the purpose of evading the requirements of this paragraph.
- 3. To qualify for the exemption under subparagraph 1., the owner or the owner's contractor must submit a written request for exemption to the local enforcement agency with a copy of the contract or other documentation demonstrating the nature and the value of the work to be performed.
- 4. A local government has no legal duty to the owner, contractor, or successors or assigns thereof for exempted work performed under this paragraph.

Add section 105.2.4 to read as follows:

105.2.4 Temporary residential hurricane and flood protection walls or barriers.

- 1. A local government that issues building permits shall exempt an owner of a single-family dwelling or the owner's contractor from the requirement to obtain a building permit for the installation of temporary residential hurricane and flood protection walls or barriers that meet all of the following conditions:
 - a. The wall or barrier is nonhabitable and non-load bearing.
 - b. The wall or barrier is installed on the residential property of a single-family or two-family dwelling or townhouse.
 - c. The wall or barrier is constructed to mitigate or prevent storm surge or floodwaters from entering a structure or property.
 - d. The wall or barrier is installed by a contractor licensed under part I of chapter 489.
 - e. The wall or barrier complies with applicable local zoning, drainage, easement, and setback requirements.
- 2. The exemption under subparagraph 1. does not apply to work on a property that is partially or entirely located in a flood hazard area as defined by the Florida Building Code.
- 3. To qualify for the exemption under subparagraph 1., the owner or the owner's contractor must submit a written request for exemption to the local enforcement agency with a copy of the contract or other documentation demonstrating the nature of the work to be performed.
- 4. A local government has no legal duty to the owner, contractor, or successors or assigns thereof for work performed under this paragraph.

Add section 105.2.5 to read as follows:

105.2.5 Retaining wall on more than one parcel.

If a retaining wall spans more than one lot or parcel, a local government that issues building permits must issue a permit for a retaining wall for the project as a whole and may not require a building permit for each lot or parcel upon which a retaining wall is installed on the property of a single-family or two-family residential dwelling or a townhouse.

Revise 105.3.4 to read as follows:

105.3.4 Building permit application to local government.

105.3.4.1 (a) A local government must approve, approve with conditions, or deny a building permit application after receipt of a completed and sufficient application within the following timeframes, unless the applicant waives such timeframes in writing:

1. Within 5 business days after receiving a complete and sufficient application, for an applicant using a local government plans reviewer to obtain the following building permits for an existing single-family residential dwelling if the value of the work is less than \$15,000: structural, accessory structure, alarm, electrical, gas, irrigation, landscaping, mechanical, plumbing, or roofing.

2. No change

Renumber remaining items accordingly

Add section 105.4.2 to read as follows:

105.4.2 Expiration of permit for single-family dwelling.

A building permit issued by a local government for a single-family dwelling expires 1 year after the issuance of the permit or on the effective date of the next edition of the Florida Building Code, whichever is later. However, this paragraph does not prevent a local government from extending a building permit beyond the expiration date.

Revise section 105.5 to read as follows:

105.5 Additional options for closing a permit. Pursuant to Section 553.79~~(15)~~(16), *Florida Statutes*, a property owner, regardless of whether the property owner is the one listed on the application for the building permit, may close a building permit by complying with the following requirements:

No change to the remaining text

Revise section 105.6 to read as follows:

105.6 Denial or revocation. Whenever a permit required under this section is denied or revoked because the plan, or the construction, erection, alteration, modification, repair, or demolition of a building, is found by the local enforcing agency to be not in compliance with the *Florida*

Building Code, the local enforcing agency shall identify the specific plan or project features that do not comply with the applicable codes, identify the specific code chapters and sections upon which the finding is based, and provide this information to the permit applicant. If the local building code administrator or inspector finds that the plans are not in compliance with the *Florida Building Code*, the local building code administrator or inspector shall identify the specific plan features that do not comply with the applicable codes, identify the specific code chapters and sections upon which the finding is based, and provide this information to the local enforcing agency. The local enforcing agency shall provide this information to the permit applicant.

Pursuant to Section 553.79(16)(17)(a), *Florida Statutes*, a local enforcement agency may not deny issuance of a building permit to; issue a notice of violation to; or fine, penalize, sanction or assess fees against an arm's-length purchaser of a property for value solely because a building permit applied for by a previous owner of the property was not closed. The local enforcement agency shall maintain all rights and remedies against the property owner and contractor listed on the permit.

Pursuant to Section 553.79(16)(17)(b), *Florida Statutes*, a local enforcement agency may not deny issuance of a building permit to a contractor solely because the contractor is listed on other building permits that were not closed.

Revise section 105.16 to read as follows:

105.16 Inspection of existing residential building not impacted by construction.

(a) A local enforcing agency, and any local building code administrator, inspector, or other official or entity, may not require as a condition of issuance of a one- or two-family residential building permit the inspection of any portion of a building, structure, or real property that is not directly impacted by the construction, erection, alteration, modification, repair, or demolition of the building, structure, or real property for which the permit is sought.

(b) This subsection does not apply to a building permit sought for:

1. A substantial improvement as defined in Section 161.54, *Florida Statutes* or as defined in the *Florida Building Code*.
2. A change of occupancy as defined in the *Florida Building Code*.
3. A conversion from residential to nonresidential or mixed use pursuant to Section 553.507(2)(a)(3), *Florida Statutes* or as defined in the *Florida Building Code*.
4. A historic building as defined in the *Florida Building Code*.

(c) No change

Revise section 107.3 to read as follows:

[A] 107.3 Examination of documents. The *building official* shall examine or cause to be examined the accompanying submittal documents and shall ascertain by such examinations whether the construction indicated and described is in accordance with the requirements of this code and other pertinent laws or ordinances.

Exceptions:

1. Building plans approved pursuant to Section 553.77(53), *Florida Statutes*, and state-approved manufactured buildings are exempt from local codes enforcing agency plan reviews except for provisions of the code relating to erection, assembly or construction at the site. Erection, assembly and construction at the site are subject to local permitting and inspections. Photocopies of plans approved according to Rule 61-41.009, *Florida Administrative Code*, shall be sufficient for local permit application documents of record for the modular building portion of the permitted project.

2. Industrial construction on sites where design, construction and fire safety are supervised by appropriate design and inspection professionals and which contain adequate in-house fire departments and rescue squads is exempt, subject to local government option, from review of plans and inspections, providing owners certify that applicable codes and standards have been met and supply appropriate approved drawings to local building and fire-safety inspectors.

Revise Section 108.3 as follows:

108.3 Temporary service utilities. The building official is authorized to give permission to temporarily supply service utilities in accordance with Section 112.

Revise section 110.8.2 to read as follows:

110.8.2 The special inspector shall determine that a professional engineer who specializes in shoring design has inspected the shoring and reshoring for conformance with the shoring and reshoring plans submitted to the enforcing agency. A fee simple title owner of a building, which does not meet the minimum size, height, occupancy, occupancy classification, or number-of stories criteria which would result in classification as a threshold building under Section 553.71(7)(12), *Florida Statutes* may designate such building as a threshold building, subject to more than the minimum number of inspections required by the *Florida Building Code*.

CHAPTER 2 DEFINITIONS

Add the following definition:

Office surgery suite. That portion of a physician's office where surgery is performed.

CHAPTER 4 SPECIAL DETAILED REQUIREMENTS BASED ON OCCUPANCY AND USE

Revise section 422 to read as follows:

SECTION 422— AMBULATORY CARE ~~FACILITIES~~ **FACILITIES**

No change to the remaining text.

Errata – Typo

Revise section 469.3 to read as follows:

469.3 Office surgery suite occupancy classification.

469.3.1 Office surgery suites that provide services or treatment on an outpatient basis to ~~four~~ seven or more patients at the same time that ~~either~~ renders the patients incapable of taking action for self-preservation under emergency conditions without the assistance from others, ~~or that provide surgical treatment requiring general anesthesia to four~~ seven or more patients at the same time, ~~or that provide treatment for patients who, due to the nature of their injury or illness, are incapable of taking action for self-preservation under emergency conditions without the assistance of others,~~ shall meet the requirements of Ambulatory Health Care Occupancies as described in NFPA 101, Life Safety Code. ~~and this code.~~

469.3.2 ~~All other~~ office surgery suites shall comply with the requirements of ~~Business occupancy as described in NFPA 101, Life Safety Code,~~ Business Occupancy, Ambulatory Care Facility, as described required in Section 422 of this code.

Revise section 454.1 to read as follows:

454.1 Public swimming pools and bathing places. Public swimming pools and bathing places shall comply with the design and construction standards of this section.

Exceptions:

1-2 No change

3. Portable self-contained factory manufactured cold-spa pools that are listed and labeled in accordance with UL 1563, and operated in accordance with manufacturer's instructions, are exempt from the provisions of Section 454.1. If installed, suction outlet fitting assemblies shall comply with APSP-16.

Revise section 454.1.2.3.5 to read as follows:

454.1.2.3.5 Rules and regulations signage. Rules and regulations for bathers shall be installed in minimum 1-inch (25.4 mm) letters that must be legible from the pool deck, and shall contain the following:

1. No food or beverages other than water in the pool or within 4 feet (1219 mm) of the pool.

Exception: This rule shall not be posted at a swim-up bar that meets the requirements found in Department of Health (DOH) Rule 64E-9.004, *Florida Administrative Code*.

~~2.~~ If the pool is fenced,

~~a.~~ 2. No glass in the fenced pool area.

~~b.~~ 3. No animals, other than service animals, in the fenced pool area.

~~3.~~ If the pool is not fenced (this will only apply to IWFs).

~~a.~~ 2. No glass within 50 feet (15 240 mm) of the pool.

~~b.~~ 3. No animals, other than service animals, within 50 feet (15 240 mm) of the pool.

4. Service animals may not enter the water or the splash zone.

Exception: ~~Service animals as defined in Section 413.08, Florida Statutes. All animals are prohibited to enter the pool water or onto the drained area of an interactive water feature.~~

5. Bathing load: ___ persons.

6. Pool hours: ___ a.m. to ___ p.m.

7. Shower before entering.

8. Pools of 200 square feet (18.58 m²) in area or greater without an approved diving well configuration shall have “NO DIVING”, in 4 inch (102 mm) letters included with the above listed pool rules.

9. “Do not swallow the pool water, it is recirculated.” This statement shall be added to signs at pools that conduct alterations as that term is defined.

10. If the pool includes a sun shelf, “WARNING: DROP OFF AT SUN SHELF EDGE IS ____ FEET: ____ INCHES DEEP” in 2-inch (51 mm) letters. Not required where sun shelves transition to steps.

11. If the pool includes a sun shelf or a zero depth entry area, “DO NOT PLACE FURNITURE IN POOL.” Not required when all movable furniture on the deck or in the pool is entirely made from UV-resistant, inert plastic.

12. “POOL MAXIMUM DEPTH: ____ FEET: ____ INCHES,” in 2-inch (51 mm) letters

CHAPTER 5 GENERAL BUILDING HEIGHTS AND AREAS

Revise Table 509.1 to read as follows:

TABLE 509.1 INCIDENTAL USES

ROOM OR AREA	SEPARATION AND/OR PROTECTION
In ambulatory care facilities or Group I-2 occupancies, storage rooms greater than 50 square feet	1 hour and provide automatic sprinkler system

No change to the remaining text.

CHAPTER 15 ROOF ASSEMBLIES AND ROOFTOP STRUCTURES

Revise section 1507.17.9.1 to read as follows:

1507.17.9.1 Drip edge. Drip edge shall be installed at eaves and gables of steep slope roofs (2:12 and above). Drip edge shall be lapped a minimum of 3 inches (76 mm). Eave drip edges shall extend 1/2 inch (13 mm) below sheathing and extend back on the roof a minimum of 2 inches (51 mm). Drip edge shall be installed over the underlayment. Self-adhering underlayment complying with ASTM D1970 is permitted to be installed over a primed drip edge flange. Drip edge shall be mechanically fastened a maximum of 4 inches (102 mm) on center.

Revise section 1519.7 to read as follows:

1519.7 Steel decks. Steel decks shall be covered with a roof insulation panel having its own product approval and listed in the roofing assembly product approval. Insulation panels shall be mechanically fastened in compliance with the mechanical attachment patterns listed in the roof assembly product approval and in accordance with the provisions of RAS 117.

High-Velocity Hurricane Zone Uniform Permit Application Form – Section E (Tile Calculations)

Revise Table “Mr Required Moment Resistance” to replace symbol for cents with apostrophe symbol for feet.

CHAPTER 17 SPECIAL INSPECTIONS AND TESTS

TABLE 1711.1—CORROSION RESISTANCE OF FASTENERS AND CONNECTORS

Revise footnotes as follows:

a. Exposure Descriptions:

Exterior-Partially Sheltered: Locations are areas where fasteners and connectors are exposed to salt air, but not exposed to fresh rainwater to remove accumulated salt.

Exterior-Open Exposed: Locations are areas where fasteners and connectors are exposed to salt air, but also exposed to rainwater to allow rinsing of the accumulated salt, and also more likely to dry after rain.

Unconditioned Interior-Vented Enclosed: Locations are those where fasteners and connectors inside a part of the building that also has vents to the outside environment that would allow salt air to enter. **Unconditioned Interior-Unvented Enclosed:** Locations are those that are inside the building, but not in the conditioned space

No change to the remaining text.

Revise section 1711.1.1.1 to read as follows:

1711.1.1.1 Stainless steel. Where required by Table 1711.1, fasteners shall be manufactured from ASTM A240 Type 304, Type A305, ~~or~~ Type 316 or Type 410 stainless steel.

CHAPTER 24 GLASS AND GLAZING

Revise section 2407.1.1 to read as follows:

2407.1.1 Loads. The panels and their support system shall be designed to withstand the *loads* specified in Section 1607.9 ~~using a safety factor of four~~. Calculated stresses in glass elements of handrails and guards due to these loads shall be limited to a maximum of 3,000 psi (20.7 MPa) for heat strengthened glass and 6,000 psi (41.4 MPa) for fully tempered glass.

CHAPTER 30 ELEVATORS AND CONVEYING SYSTEMS

Revise section 3002.3 to read as follows:

3002.3 Emergency signs.

An *approved* pictorial sign of a standardized design shall be posted adjacent to each elevator call station on all floors instructing occupants to use the *exit stairways* and not to use the elevators in case of fire. The sign shall comply in its entirety with one of the following: ~~read: IN CASE OF FIRE, ELEVATORS ARE OUT OF SERVICE. USE EXIT STAIRS.~~

1. The sign shall read: IN CASE OF FIRE, ELEVATORS ARE OUT OF SERVICE. USE EXIT STAIRS.
2. The sign shall comply with ASME A17.1/CSA B44 referenced by this code.

Exceptions:

1. The emergency sign shall not be required for elevators that are part of an *accessible means of egress* complying with Section 1009.
2. The emergency sign shall not be required for elevators that are used for occupant self-evacuation in accordance with Section 3008.

CHAPTER 31 SPECIAL CONSTRUCTION

Section 3103.5.1.3, last sentence - change Section 3103.6 to Section 3102.8 as follows:

3103.5.1.3 Flood loads. Temporary structures located in flood hazard areas shall conform with the wet floodproofing requirements of ASCE 24 for structures assigned Flood Design Class 1 as modified by the following:

1. Design for wind loads shall be permitted in lieu of design for flood loads in ASCE 7.
2. Temporary structures with rigid walls shall have flood openings in those walls.
3. Mechanical equipment and electric service shall be elevated to or above the base flood elevation. Controlled occupancy procedures in accordance with Section 3103.6~~8~~ shall be implemented for public-occupancy temporary structure.

CHAPTER 35 REFERENCED STANDARDS

Revise as follows:

ASME

ASME/A17.1—~~2022~~2019/ CSA B44—~~2022~~2019 Safety Code for Elevators and Escalators.

NSI/FM 2510—20. American National Standard for Flood Mitigation Equipment.

TESTING APPLICATION STANDARD (TAS) 204-26 FLOOD RESISTANT TEST PROCEDURES (FOR PASSIVE IN PLACE SYSTEMS)

TMS

602—~~2023~~2022: Specification for Masonry Structures

WMA

ANSI/WMA 100—~~2012~~ 2023 Standard Method of Determining Structural Performance Ratings of Side Hinged Exterior Door Systems and Procedures for Component Substitution

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CHAPTER 3 BUILDING PLANNING

Revise section R301.2.1.1 to read as follows:

R301.2.1.2 Protection of openings. Exterior glazed openings in buildings located in windborne debris regions shall be protected from windborne debris. Glazed opening protection for windborne debris shall meet the requirements of the Large Missile Test of ASTM E1996 and ASTM E1886 ~~as modified in Section 301.2.1.2.1~~, TAS 201, 202 and 203, or AAMA 506, as applicable. Garage door glazed opening protection for windborne debris shall meet the requirements of an *approved* impact-resisting standard or ANSI/DASMA 115.

No change to the remaining text

Section R303.1.2, Exception 2 – Section M1505 should be changed to Section M1507.

Revise section R332.1.1.1 to read as follows:

R332.1.1.1 Stainless steel. Where required by Table R332.1, fasteners shall be manufactured from ASTM A240 Type 304, Type 305, ~~or~~ Type 316 or Type 410 stainless steel.

CHAPTER 6 WALL CONSTRUCTION

Revise section R609.3 to read as follows:

R609.3 Testing and labeling. Exterior windows and sliding doors shall be tested by an approved independent laboratory, and bear a label identifying manufacturer, performance characteristics and approved inspection agency to indicate compliance with AAMA/WDMA/CSA 101/I.S.2/A440 or TAS 202 (HVHZ shall comply with TAS 202 and ASTM E1300). Exterior side-hinged doors shall be tested and labeled as conforming to AAMA/WDMA/CSA 101/I.S.2/A440 or ANSI/WMA 100, or comply with Section R609.5. Exterior windows and doors shall be labeled with a permanent label, marking, or etching providing traceability to the manufacturer and product. The following shall also be required either on a permanent label or on a temporary supplemental label applied by the manufacturer: information identifying the manufacturer, the product model/series number, positive and negative design pressure rating, product maximum size tested, impact-resistance rating if applicable, Florida product approval number or Miami-Dade product approval number applicable test standard(s), and approved product certification agency, testing laboratory, evaluation entity or Miami-Dade product approval.

No change to the remaining text.

CHAPTER 46 REFERENCED STANDARDS

Revise as follows:

ASHRAE

ASHRAE
1791 Tullie Circle, NE
Atlanta, GA 30329

34—~~2022~~2024

Designation and Safety Classification of Refrigerants
M1411.1

~~ASTM D2823—05: Standard Specification for Asphalt Roof Coatings, Asbestos-Containing Table R905.18.2~~

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CHAPTER 4 [CE] COMMERCIAL ENERGY EFFICIENCY

Table C403.2.3(1) - Revise as follows:

TABLE C403.2.3(1)—ELECTRICALLY OPERATED UNITARY AIR CONDITIONERS AND CONDENSING UNITS—MINIMUM EFFICIENCY REQUIREMENTS ^c					
EQUIPMENT TYPE	SIZE CATEGORY	HEADING SECTION TYPE	SUBCATEGORY OR RATING CONDITION	MINIMUM EFFICIENCY	TEST PROCEDURE ^a
Air conditioners, air cooled	< 45,000 Btu/h ^b	All	Split system, three phase and applications outside US single phase ^b	~~14.0 SEER before 1/1/2023~~ 14.3 SEER2 after 1/1/2023	~~AHRI 210/240—2017 before 1/1/2023~~ AHRI 210/240—2023 after 1/1/2023
	≥ 45,000 Btu/h ^b and < 65,000 Btu/h ^b	All		~~14.0 SEER before 1/1/2023~~ 13.8 SEER2 after 1/1/2023	
	< 65,000 Btu/h ^b	All	Split system, three phase and applications outside US single phase ^b	~~14.3~~ 13.4 SEER2	AHRI 210/240—2023
			Single package, three phase and applications outside US single phase ^b	~~13.8~~ 13.4 SEER2	
Space constrained, air cooled	≤ 30,000 Btu/h ^b	All	Split system, three phase and applications outside US single phase ^b	11.7 SEER2	AHRI 210/240—2023
			Single package, three phase and applications outside US single phase ^b	11.7 SEER2	
Small duct, high velocity, air cooled	< 65,000 Btu/h ^b	All	Split system, three phase and applications outside US single phase ^b	12.0 SEER2	AHRI 210/240—2023

No change to the remaining text

Table C403.2.3(4) – Revise as follows:

TABLE C403.2.3(4)—WARM-AIR FURNACES AND COMBINATION WARM-AIR FURNACES/ AIR-CONDITIONING UNITS, WARM-AIR DUCT FURNACES AND UNIT HEATERS—MINIMUM EFFICIENCY REQUIREMENTS ^e
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DESCRIPTION	FUEL	ELECTRIC POWER PHASE	APPLICATION LOCATION	HEATING CAPACITY (INPUT), Btu/h ^b	COMBO-UNIT COOLING CAPACITY, Btu/h	SUBTYPE	MINIMUM EFFICIENCY	TEST PROCEDURE ^a
Warm-air furnace	Gas	1	Inside US	< 225,000	< 65,000	See Informative Appendix F, Table F-4 ^f Weatherized - 80.0 AFUE Non-weatherized - 81.0 AFUE		
Warm-air furnace	Gas	1	Inside US	< 225,000	≥ 65,000	Nonweatherized	80% AFUE	Appendix N ^g
						Weatherized	81% AFUE or 80% E_t^c	Appendix N ^g
								ANSI Z21.47
Warm-air furnace	Gas	1	Outside US	< 225,000	All	Nonweatherized	80% AFUE	Appendix N ^g
						Weatherized	81% AFUE or 80% E_t^c	Appendix N ^g
								ANSI Z21.47
Warm-air furnace	Gas	3	All	< 225,000	All	Nonweatherized	80% AFUE	Appendix N ^g
						Weatherized	81% AFUE or 80% E_t^c	Appendix N ^g
								ANSI Z21.47
Warm-air furnace	Gas	All	All	≥ 225,000 and ≤ 400,000	All	All	81% E_t^c	ANSI Z21.47
Warm-air furnace	Gas	All	Inside US	> 400,000	All	All	80% E_t^c before 1/1/2023 81% E_t^c after 1/1/2023	ANSI Z21.47
Warm-air furnace	Gas	All	Outside US	> 400,000	All	All	80% E_t^c before 1/1/2023 81% E_t^c after 1/1/2023	ANSI Z21.47 or ANSI Z83.8
Warm-air furnace	Oil	1	Inside US	< 225,000	< 65,000	See Informative Appendix F, Table F-4 ^f Weatherized - 78.0 AFUE Non-weatherized - 83.0 AFUE		
Warm-air furnace	Oil	1	Inside US	< 225,000	≥ 65,000	Nonweatherized	83% AFUE	Appendix N ^g
						Weatherized	78% AFUE or 80% E_t^d	Appendix N ^g
								Section 42 UL 727
Warm-air furnace	Oil	1	Outside US	< 225,000	All	Nonweatherized	83% AFUE	Appendix N ^g
						Weatherized	78% AFUE or 80% E_t^d	Appendix N ^g
								Section 42 UL 727
Warm-air furnace	Oil	3	All	<225,000	All	Nonweatherized	83% AFUE	Appendix N ^g
						Weatherized	78% AFUE or 80% E_t^d	Appendix N ^g
								Section 42 UL 727

Warm-air furnace	Oil	All	All	$\geq 225,000$	All	All	82% E_t^d	Section 42 UL 727
Warm-air furnace	Electric	1	Inside US	$< 225,000$	$< 65,000$	See Informative Appendix F, Table F-4 ^f 78% AFUE		
Warm-air furnace	Electric	1	Inside US	$< 225,000$	$\geq 65,000$	All	96% AFUE	Appendix N ^g
Warm-air furnace	Electric	1	Outside US	$< 225,000$	All	All	96% AFUE	Appendix N ^g
Warm-air furnace	Electric	3	All	$< 225,000$	All	All	96% AFUE	Appendix N ^g
Warm-air duct furnaces	Gas	All	All	All	All	All	80% E_c^d	ANSI Z83.8
Warm-air unit heaters	Gas	All	All	All	All	All	80% $E_c^{d,e}$	ANSI Z83.8
Warm-air unit heaters	Oil	All	All	All	All	All	80% $E_c^{d,e}$	Section 40 UL 731

No change to the remaining text.

Table C403.2.3(11) – Revise as follows:

TABLE C403.2.3(11)—ELECTRICALLY OPERATED VARIABLE-REFRIGERANT-FLOW AIR CONDITIONERS—MINIMUM EFFICIENCY REQUIREMENTS					
EQUIPMENT TYPE	SIZE CATEGORY	HEATING SECTION TYPE	SUBCATEGORY OR RATING CONDITION	MINIMUM EFFICIENCY	TEST PROCEDURE ^a
VRF air conditioners, air cooled	$< 65,000$ Btu/h three-phase for applications in the US and single- and three-phase for applications outside the US	All	VRF multisplit system	~~13.0~~ 13.4 SEER ₂	AHRI 210/240
	$\geq 65,000$ Btu/h and $< 135,000$ Btu/h	Electric resistance (or none)	VRF multisplit system	~~10.5 EER~~ 15.5 IEER	AHRI 1230
	$\geq 135,000$ Btu/h and $< 240,000$ Btu/h	Electric resistance (or none)	VRF multisplit system	~~10.3 EER~~ 14.9 IEER	
	$\geq 240,000$ Btu/h	Electric resistance (or none)	VRF multisplit system	~~9.5 EER~~ 13.9 IEER	

For SI: 1 British thermal unit per hour = 0.2931 W.

a. Chapter 6 contains a complete specification of the referenced standards, which include test procedures, including the reference year version of the test procedure.

Table C403.2.3(12) – Revise as follows:

TABLE C403.2.3(12)—ELECTRICALLY OPERATED VARIABLE-REFRIGERANT-FLOW AND APPLIED HEAT PUMPS—MINIMUM EFFICIENCY REQUIREMENTS					
EQUIPMENT TYPE	SIZE CATEGORY	HEATING SECTION TYPE	SUBCATEGORY OR RATING CONDITION	MINIMUM EFFICIENCY	TEST PROCEDURE ^a
VRF air cooled (cooling mode)	$< 65,000$ Btu/h three-phase for applications in the US and single- and three- phase for applications outside the US	All	VRF multisplit system	SEER ₂ = 13.4	AHRI 210/240
	$\geq 65,000$ Btu/h and $< 135,000$ Btu/h			~~10.3 EER~~ 14.6 IEER	AHRI 1230

		Electric resistance (or none)	VRF multisplit system with heat recovery	~~10.1 EER~~ 14.4 IEER	
	≥ 135,000 Btu/h and < 240,000 Btu/h		VRF multisplit system	~~9.9 EER~~ ~~14.4~~ <u>13.9</u> IEER	
			VRF multisplit system with heat recovery	~~9.7 EER~~ 13.9 <u>1</u> IEER	
	≥ 240,000 Btu/h		VRF multisplit system	~~9.1 EER~~ 12.7 IEER	
			VRF multisplit system with heat recovery	~~8.9 EER~~ 12.5 IEER	
VRF water source (cooling mode)	< 65,000 Btu/h	All	VRF multisplit systems 86°F entering water	~~12.0 EER~~ 16.0 IEER	AHRI 1230
			VRF multisplit systems with heat recovery 86°F entering water	~~11.8 EER~~ 15.8 IEER	
	≥ 65,000 Btu/h and < 135,000 Btu/h		VRF multisplit system 86°F entering water	~~12.0 EER~~ ~~16.0~~ <u>15.8</u> IEER	
			VRF multisplit system with heat recovery 86°F entering water	~~11.8 EER~~ 15.8 IEER	
			VRF multisplit system 86°F entering water	~~10.0 EER~~ 14.0 IEER	
	≥ 135,000 Btu/h and < 240,000 Btu/h		VRF multisplit system with heat recovery 86°F entering water	~~9.8 EER~~ 13.8 IEER	
TABLE C403.2.3(12)—ELECTRICALLY OPERATED VARIABLE-REFRIGERANT-FLOW AND APPLIED HEAT PUMPS—MINIMUM EFFICIENCY REQUIREMENTS—continued					
EQUIPMENT TYPE	SIZE CATEGORY	HEATING SECTION TYPE	SUBCATEGORY OR RATING CONDITION	MINIMUM EFFICIENCY	TEST PROCEDURE ^a
VRF water source (cooling mode) (continued)	≥ 240,000 Btu/h	All	VRF multisplit system 86°F entering water	~~10.0 EER~~ 12.0 IEER	AHRI 1230
			VRF multisplit system with heat recovery 86°F entering water	~~9.8 EER~~ 11.8 IEER	

No change to the remaining text.

Table C402.4 – Revise to read as follows:

TABLE C402.4 BUILDING THERMAL ENVELOPE FENESTRATION MAXIMUM U-FACTOR AND SHGC REQUIREMENTS								
CLIMATE ZONE	1	2	3	4 EXCEPT MARINE	5 AND MARINE 4	6	7	8
Vertical fenestration								
U-factor								
Fixed fenestration	0.50	0.45	0.46	0.38	0.38	0.36	0.29	0.29
Operable fenestration	0.62	0.60	0.60	0.45	0.45	0.43	0.37	0.37
Entrance doors	0.83	0.77	0.77	0.77	0.77	0.77	0.77	0.77

SHGC																	
Orientation ^a	SEW Fixed	N Opera ble	SEW Fixed	N Opera ble	SEW Fixed	N Opera ble	SEW Fixed	N Opera ble	SEW Fixed	N Opera ble	SEW Fixed	N Opera ble	SEW Fixed	N Opera ble	SEW Fixed	N Opera ble	
PF < 0.2	0.23	0.21	0.25	0.33	0.25	0.33	0.40	0.53	0.40	0.53	0.40	0.53	0.45	NR	0.45	NR	
0.2 ≤ PF < 0.5	0.28	0.25	0.30	0.37	0.30	0.37	0.48	0.58	0.48	0.58	0.48	0.58	NR	NR	NR	NR	
PF ≥ 0.5	0.37	0.34	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.64	0.64	0.64	0.64	0.64	0.64	NR	NR	NR	NR	
Skylights																	
U-factor	0.70		0.65		0.55		0.50		0.50		0.50		0.50		0.50		
SHGC	0.30		0.35		0.35		0.40		0.40		0.40		NR		NR		

NR = No requirement, PF = Projection factor.

a. "N" indicates vertical fenestration oriented within 45 degrees of true north. "SEW" indicates orientations other than "N." For buildings in the southern hemisphere, reverse south and north. Buildings located at less than 23

CHAPTER 3 [RE] GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

Revise section R303.1.3 as follows:

R303.1.3 Fenestration product rating. *U*-factors of fenestration products shall be determined as follows.

1. For windows, doors and skylights, *U*-factor ratings shall be determined in accordance with NFRC 100.

2. Where required, garage door *U*-factors shall be determined in accordance with either NFRC 100 or ANSI/DASMA 105.

U-factors shall be determined by an accredited, independent laboratory, and *labeled* and certified by the manufacturer as authorized by an NFRC-licensed independent certification and Inspection Agency (IA).

Products lacking such a *labeled* and certified *U*-factor shall be assigned a default *U*-factor from Table R303.1.3(1) or R303.1.3(2). The solar heat gain coefficient (SHGC) and *visible transmittance* (VT) of glazed fenestration products (windows, glazed doors and skylights) shall be determined in accordance with NFRC 200 by an accredited, independent laboratory, and *labeled* and certified by the manufacturer as authorized by an NFRC-licensed independent certification and Inspection Agency (IA). Products lacking such a *labeled* SHGC or VT shall be assigned a default SHGC or VT from Table R303.1.3(3). For tubular daylighting devices, *VTannual* shall be measured and rated in accordance with ANSI/NFRC 203.

CHAPTER 4 [RE] RESIDENTIAL ENERGY EFFICIENCY

Table R407.2 – Add footnote "c" as follows:

R407.2.2(4) ^a	High performance heat pump (Option 2: 16.5 SEER2/8.2 HSPF2)	9	9
R407.2.3(1 or 2) ^c	Efficient water heating	6	6
R407.2.3(3) ^c	Efficient heat pump water heater exhausted to conditioned space	9	9
R407.2.3(4)(a) ^c	Solar hot water heating system (Option 1)	13	13

APPENDIX RD FORMS

Duct leakage test report – Revise as follows:

DUCT LEAKAGE TEST REPORT Residential Prescriptive, Performance Or ERI Method Compliance 2026 Florida Building Code, Energy Conservation, 9th Edition

Jurisdiction: _____		Permit #: _____	
Job Information			
Builder: _____		Community: _____ Lot: _____	
Address: _____			
City: _____		State: FL Zip: _____	
Duct Leakage Test Results		☐ Prescriptive Method ☐ Performance/ERI Method	
System 1 _____ cfm25		Prescriptive Method cfm25 (Total) ☐ To qualify as “substantially leak free,” Q_n Total must be less than or equal to 0.04 if air handler unit is installed. If air handler unit is not installed, Q_n Total must be less than or equal to 0.03. Testing method meets the requirements in accordance with Section R403.3.3. Is the air handler unit installed during testing? ☐ YES ($\leq 0.04 Q_n$) ☐ NO ($\leq 0.03 Q_n$)	
System 2 _____ cfm25			
System 3 _____ cfm25			
Sum of any others _____ cfm25			
Total of all _____ cfm25		Performance/ERI Method cfm25 (Out or Total) ☐ To qualify using this method, Q_n must not be greater than the proposed duct leakage Q_n specified on Form R405—2023 or R406—2023. Leakage Type selected on Form R405—2023 (EnergyCalc) or R406—2023 Q_n specified of Form R405—2023 (EnergyCalc) or R406—2023	
$\frac{\text{Total of all systems}}{\text{Total Conditioned Square Footage}} = \text{_____ } Q_n$			
☐ PASS ☐ FAIL			
Duct tightness shall be verified by testing in accordance with ANSI/RESNET/ICC380 by either individuals as defined in Section 553.993(5) or (7), <i>Florida Statutes</i> , or individuals licensed as set forth in Section 489.105(3)(f), (g) or (i), <i>Florida Statutes</i> .			
Testing Company			
Company Name: _____ Phone: _____ I hereby verify that the above duct leakage testing results are in accordance with the Florida Building Code requirements with the selected compliance path as stated above, either the Prescriptive Method or Performance Method.			
Signature of Tester: _____ Date of Test: _____			
Printed Name of Tester: _____			
License/Certification #: _____ Issuing Authority: _____			

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CHAPTER 11 REFRIGERATION

Revise section 1109.2.5 as follows:

1109.2.5 Refrigerant pipe shafts.

Refrigerant piping that penetrates two or more floor/ceiling assemblies shall be enclosed in a fire-resistance-rated shaft enclosure. The fire-resistance-rated shaft enclosure shall comply with Section 713 of the International Building Code.

Exceptions:

1. Refrigeration systems using R-718 refrigerant (water).
2. Piping in a direct refrigeration system ~~using Group A1 refrigerant~~ where the refrigerant quantity does not exceed the limits of Table 1103.1 for the smallest occupied space through which the piping passes.
3. Piping located on the exterior of the building where vented to the outdoors.

Revise section 1109.3.2 as follows:

1109.3.2 Shaft ventilation.

~~Refrigerant Required~~ refrigerant pipe shafts with systems using Group A2L or B2L refrigerant shall be naturally or mechanically ventilated. Refrigerant pipe shafts with one or more systems using any Group A2, A3, B2 or B3 refrigerant shall be continuously mechanically ventilated and shall include a refrigerant detector. The shaft ventilation exhaust outlet shall comply with Section 501.3.1. Naturally ventilated shafts shall have a pipe, duct or conduit not less than 4 inches (102 mm) in diameter that connects to the lowest point of the shaft and extends to the outdoors. The pipe, duct or conduit shall be level or pitched downward to the outdoors. Mechanically ventilated shafts shall have a minimum airflow velocity in accordance with Table 1109.3.2. The mechanical ventilation shall be continuously operated or activated by a refrigerant detector. Systems utilizing a refrigerant detector shall activate the mechanical ventilation at a maximum refrigerant concentration of 25 percent of the lower flammable limit of the refrigerant. The detector, or a sampling tube that draws air to the detector, shall be located in an area where refrigerant from a leak will concentrate. The shaft shall not be required to be ventilated for double-wall refrigerant pipe where the interstitial space of the double-wall pipe is vented to the outdoors. For refrigeration systems used in residential occupancies serving only a single dwelling unit or sleeping unit, shaft ventilation shall not be required where the pipe or tube is continuous without fittings in the shaft.

Revise Table 1103.1 as follows:

TABLE 1103.1-REFRIGERANT CLASSIFICATION, AMOUNT AND OEL-continued										
CHEMICAL REFRIGERANT	FORMULAS	CHEMICAL NAME OF BLENDS	REFRIGERANT SAFETY GROUP CLASSIFICATION	AMOUNT OF REFRIGERANT PER OCCUPIED SPACE						
				RCL			LFL			OEL
				Lb/Mcf	ppm	g/m ³	Lb/Mcf	ppm	g/m ³	ppm
R-444A	zeotrope	R-32/152a/1234ze(E) (12.0/5.0/83.0)	A2L	5.45.0	21,000	8480	19.9	82,000	324.8319.4	850
R-444B	zeotrope	R-32/152a/1234ze(E) (41.5/10.0/48.5)	A2L	4.3	23,000	6970	17.3	93,000	277.3278.1	930
R-445A	zeotrope	R-744/134a/1234ze (E) (6.0/9.0/85.0)	A2L	4.25.4	16,000	6787	2.721.6	63,000	347.4	930
R-446A	zeotrope	R-32/1234ze(E)/600 (68.0/29.0/3.0)	A2L	2.53.7	46.00023.000	3959	43.514.8	62.00093.000	247.4237.7	960
R-447A	zeotrope	R-32/125/1234ze(E) (68.0/3.5/28.5)	A2L	2.65.2	46.00032.000	4283	48.920.6	66.000128.000	303.6331.4	960
R-447B	zeotrope	R-32/125/1234ze(E) (68.0/8.0/24.0)	A2L	2.64.8	46.00030.000	4278	20.619.5	121,000	312.7	970
R-451A	zeotrope	R-1234yf/134a (89.8/10.2)	A2L	5.05.3	18,000	81	20.321.3	70.00074.000	326.6341.6	530
R-451B	zeotrope	R-1234yf/134a (88.8/11.2)	A2L	5.0	18,000	81	20.321.3	70.00074.000	326.6341.6	530
R-454A	zeotrope	R-32/1234yf (35.0/65.0)	A2L	3.24.4	46.00021.000	5270	48.317.5	63.00084.000	293.9281.4	690
R-454B	zeotrope	R-32/1234yf (68.9/31.1)	A2L	3.44.6	49.00029.000	4974	22.018.5	77.000115.000	352.6296.8	850
R-454C	zeotrope	R-32/1234yf (21.5/78.5)	A2L	4.44.6	19,000	7473	48.018.2	62.00077.000	289.5291.7	620
R-455A	zeotrope	R-744/32/1234yf (3.0/21.5/75.5)	A2L	4.96.8	22.00030.000	79108	26.9	118,000	432.1	650

(portions of table not shown remain unchanged)

CHAPTER 15 REFERENCED STANDARDS

Revise as follows:

ASHRAE

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1791 Tullie Circle, NE

Atlanta, GA 30329

15—~~2022~~2024

Safety Standard for Refrigeration Systems

1101.1.1, 1106.4.2, 1106.4.3, 1110.6

34—~~2022~~2024

Designation and Safety Classification of Refrigerants

202, 1102.2.1, 1103.1

Florida Test Protocols for High-Velocity Hurricane Zones, 9th Edition (2026)

TESTING APPLICATION STANDARD (TAS) NO. 110-2000 TESTING REQUIREMENTS FOR PHYSICAL PROPERTIES OF ROOF MEMBRANES, INSULATION, COATINGS AND OTHER ROOFING COMPONENTS

Revise item 18 as follows:

18. Referenced Standards

D2116—07(~~24~~012): Standard Specification for FEP-Fluorocarbon Molding and Extrusion Materials

ROOFING APPLICATION STANDARD (RAS) NO. 117-20 STANDARD REQUIREMENTS FOR BONDING OR MECHANICAL ATTACHMENT OF INSULATION PANELS AND MECHANICAL ATTACHMENT OF ANCHOR AND/OR BASE SHEETS TO SUBSTRATES

Revise section 6.2 as follows:

6.2 Rigid roof insulation panels can ~~not~~ be applied directly over lightweight concrete decks unless prohibited in the Product Approval.

TESTING APPLICATION STANDARD (TAS) 114-11 TEST PROCEDURES FOR ROOFING ASSEMBLIES IN THE HIGH-VELOCITY HURRICANE ZONE JURISDICTION

Revise scope to read as follows:

1. Scope:

- 1.1 This protocol covers the requirements for approval of membrane roof system assemblies in the high-velocity hurricane zone jurisdiction. An approved membrane roof cover is one that meets the criteria of this protocol for accelerated weathering, corrosion of metal parts, fire, foot traffic, hail, leakage and wind.
- ~~1.2~~ ~~1.1~~ This protocol covers the determination of the air permeability characteristics of a rigid, discontinuous roof system.
- ~~1.3~~ ~~1.2~~ This protocol applies to any membrane roof cover intended to protect the roof assembly and building contents from the weather.

Remember the remaining text accordingly