



HEATING Field Guide

Standards of Reference:

ANSI/BPI-1200-S-2017 Standard Practice for Basic Analysis of Buildings
Technical Standards for the Heating Professional

Health and Safety

Identified existing moisture-related problems
 Appropriate identification of foundation/basement moisture issues
 Appropriate identification of living space moisture issues
 Identified existing any indoor air contaminant sources
 Identified existing fire hazards
 Comprehension of interaction of building envelope conditions with duct leakage
 Comprehension of interaction of building envelope conditions with combustion appliance performance

Diagnostic Tests and Inspections

Properly conducted combustion gas leakage testing
 Appropriate speed for testing
 Complete 360 degrees for any unions
 Recommended soapy solution to verify positives

Infiltration Evaluation

Combustion appliances set to pilot or disabled
 Proper set-up of the blower door frame/shroud/fan
 Proper set-up of the manometer
 Proper house set-up for testing
 Correctly measured baseline pressure differential
 Accurate CFM50 measurement
 Measured existing ventilation fan flow
 Discussed ventilation needs in relation to existing fans
 Conducted sample room by room inspection with blower door running
 Recommended air sealing appropriately
 Mentioned: Top plates and penetration through top and bottom floor
 Recommended mechanical ventilation appropriately
 Mentioned need for further pressure differential testing as appropriate

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Combustion Safety Tests

Correctly identified heating / cooling system types
 Visual inspection of venting system for problems - NON-SCORABLE
 Determined condition accurately
 Correctly set up for natural conditions
 Correctly recorded pressure differential in the CAZ prior to turning on exhaust appliances
 Correctly setup home in worst case condition - NON-SCORABLE
 All exhaust appliances running
 Correct door closures - measured quantitatively or qualitatively
 Air handler operation impact checked
 Correctly checked for worst case spillage in heating system
 Correctly determined if the appliance passes the spillage test
 Correctly checked for worst case spillage in the domestic water heater
 Correctly determined if the appliance passes the spillage test

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CO Testing

Correctly prepared CO monitor for use while outside of the building
 Correctly tested ambient CO indoors
 Correctly measured heating system flue gas CO during combustion safety testing

Correctly measured DHW flue gas CO during combustion safety testing
Appropriately applied BPI action levels based on test results for CO in the flue (choose DHW or heating system)
Correctly monitored ambient CO levels in the CAZ during entire combustion safety tests
Tested for CO in oven - NON-SCORABLE
Correctly checked for items, excessive debris inside oven
Oven test sampling location appropriate

Ducted Systems

Duct Blaster set up appropriately
 Manometer set-up appropriate
 Supply tap appropriate
 Return tap appropriate
 Accurate measurement
Made Appropriate Duct Sealing Recommendations - Onsite
 Demonstrated ability to prioritize repairs
 Appropriate materials selected for repairs
 Appropriate method selected for repair.
Accurately Measured Heat Rise Delta T
Made Appropriate Heat Rise Correction Recommendations
Performed Appropriate System Balancing Diagnostic Testing
Made Appropriate System Balancing Recommendations - Onsite
Properly conducted Heat Exchanger Inspection
Recommended Replacement of Heat Exchanger as appropriate
Inspected Fan on/off Settings
Made Appropriate Fan Setting Correction Recommendations
Conducted Steady State Efficiency test

Hydronic Systems

Evaluated basic system controls
Evaluated basic system safety devices
Properly Assessed Zone Configuration
Assessed Conservation Opportunities
Assessed performance enhancements
Identified pipe insulation needs
Accurately assessed distribution problems
Conducted Steady State Efficiency test

Heat Loss / Load Calculation

Discussed heat loss calculation / savings estimates and understands implications
Accurately identified conservation measures that could impact sizing
Identified distribution system issues relating to these calculations
Understands relationship between calculations, current usage and proposed savings

Domestic Hot Water

Properly evaluated safety devices
Properly evaluated system efficiency
 Proper probe placement if measured with analyzer
Made appropriate recommendation for system improvement or replacement - Onsite
Made appropriate recommendations for conservation measures - Onsite