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Ventilation for Acceptable Indoor Air Quality

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TABLE 6-1 MINIMUM VENTILATION RATES IN BREATHING ZONE
 (This table is not valid in isolation; it must be used in conjunction with the accompanying notes.)

Occupancy Category	People Outdoor Air Rate		Area Outdoor Air Rate		Notes	Default Values			Air Class
	R_p		R_a			Occupant Density (see Note 4)	Combined Outdoor Air Rate (see Note 5)		
	cfm/person	L/s-person	cfm/ft ²	L/s-m ²		#/1000 ft ² or #/100 m ²	cfm/person	L/s-person	
Correctional Facilities									
Cell	5	2.5	0.12	0.6		25	10	4.9	2
Dayroom	5	2.5	0.06	0.3		30	7	3.5	1
Guard stations	5	2.5	0.06	0.3		15	9	4.5	1
Booking/waiting	7.5	3.8	0.06	0.3		50	9	4.4	2
Educational Facilities									
Daycare (through age 4)	10	5	0.18	0.9		25	17	8.6	2
Daycare sickroom	10	5	0.18	0.9		25	17	8.6	3
Classrooms (ages 5–8)	10	5	0.12	0.6		25	15	7.4	1
Classrooms (age 9 plus)	10	5	0.12	0.6		35	13	6.7	1
Lecture classroom	7.5	3.8	0.06	0.3		65	8	4.3	1
Lecture hall (fixed seats)	7.5	3.8	0.06	0.3		150	8	4.0	1
Art classroom	10	5	0.18	0.9		20	19	9.5	2
Science laboratories	10	5	0.18	0.9		25	17	8.6	2
University/college laboratories	10	5	0.18	0.9		25	17	8.6	2
Wood/metal shop	10	5	0.18	0.9		20	19	9.5	2
Computer lab	10	5	0.12	0.6		25	15	7.4	1
Media center	10	5	0.12	0.6	A	25	15	7.4	1
Music/theater/dance	10	5	0.06	0.3		35	12	5.9	1
Multi-use assembly	7.5	3.8	0.06	0.3		100	8	4.1	1
Food and Beverage Service									
Restaurant dining rooms	7.5	3.8	0.18	0.9		70	10	5.1	2
Cafeteria/fast-food dining	7.5	3.8	0.18	0.9		100	9	4.7	2
Bars, cocktail lounges	7.5	3.8	0.18	0.9		100	9	4.7	2
General									
Break rooms	5	2.5	0.06	0.3		25	10	5.1	1
Coffee stations	5	2.5	0.06	0.3		20	11	5.5	1
Conference/meeting	5	2.5	0.06	0.3		50	6	3.1	1
Corridors	–	–	0.06	0.3		–	–	–	1
Storage rooms	–	–	0.12	0.6	B	–	–	–	1
Hotels, Motels, Resorts, Dormitories									
Bedroom/living room	5	2.5	0.06	0.3		10	11	5.5	1
Barracks sleeping areas	5	2.5	0.06	0.3		20	8	4.0	1
Laundry rooms, central	5	2.5	0.12	0.6		10	17	8.5	2
Laundry rooms within dwelling units	5	2.5	0.12	0.6		10	17	8.5	1
Lobbies/prefunction	7.5	3.8	0.06	0.3		30	10	4.8	1
Multipurpose assembly	5	2.5	0.06	0.3		120	6	2.8	1

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	cfm/person	L/s-person	cfm/ft ²	L/s·m ²		Occupant Density (see Note 4)	Combined Outdoor Air Rate (see Note 5)		
						#/1000 ft ² or #/100 m ²	cfm/person		L/s-person
Office Buildings									
Office space	5	2.5	0.06	0.3		5	17	8.5	1
Reception areas	5	2.5	0.06	0.3		30	7	3.5	1
Telephone/data entry	5	2.5	0.06	0.3		60	6	3.0	1
Main entry lobbies	5	2.5	0.06	0.3		10	11	5.5	1
Miscellaneous Spaces									
Bank vaults/safe deposit	5	2.5	0.06	0.3		5	17	8.5	2
Computer (not printing)	5	2.5	0.06	0.3		4	20	10.0	1
Electrical equipment rooms	—	—	0.06	0.3	B	—	—	—	1
Elevator machine rooms	—	—	0.12	0.6	B	—	—	—	1
Pharmacy (prep. area)	5	2.5	0.18	0.9		10	23	11.5	2
Photo studios	5	2.5	0.12	0.6		10	17	8.5	1
Shipping/receiving	—	—	0.12	0.6	B	—	—	—	1
Telephone closets	—	—	0.00	0.0		—	—	—	1
Transportation waiting	7.5	3.8	0.06	0.3		100	8	4.1	1
Warehouses	—	—	0.06	0.3	B	—	—	—	2
Public Assembly Spaces									
Auditorium seating area	5	2.5	0.06	0.3		150	5	2.7	1
Places of religious worship	5	2.5	0.06	0.3		120	6	2.8	1
Courtrooms	5	2.5	0.06	0.3		70	6	2.9	1
Legislative chambers	5	2.5	0.06	0.3		50	6	3.1	1
Libraries	5	2.5	0.12	0.6		10	17	8.5	1
Lobbies	5	2.5	0.06	0.3		150	5	2.7	1
Museums (children's)	7.5	3.8	0.12	0.6		40	11	5.3	1
Museums/galleries	7.5	3.8	0.06	0.3		40	9	4.6	1
Residential									
Dwelling unit	5	2.5	0.06	0.3	F,G	F	—	—	1
Common corridors	—	—	0.06	0.3		—	—	—	1
Retail									
Sales (except as below)	7.5	3.8	0.12	0.6		15	16	7.8	2
Mall common areas	7.5	3.8	0.06	0.3		40	9	4.6	1
Barbershop	7.5	3.8	0.06	0.3		25	10	5.0	2
Beauty and nail salons	20	10	0.12	0.6		25	25	12.4	2
Pet shops (animal areas)	7.5	3.8	0.18	0.9		10	26	12.8	2
Supermarket	7.5	3.8	0.06	0.3		8	15	7.6	1
Coin-operated laundries	7.5	3.8	0.06	0.3		20	11	5.3	2

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Sports and Entertainment									
Sports arena (play area)	—	—	0.30	1.5	E	—			1
Gym, stadium (play area)	—	—	0.30	1.5		30			2
Spectator areas	7.5	3.8	0.06	0.3		150	8	4.0	1
Swimming (pool & deck)	—	—	0.48	2.4	C	—			2
Disco/dance floors	20	10	0.06	0.3		100	21	10.3	1
Health club/aerobics room	20	10	0.06	0.3		40	22	10.8	2
Health club/weight rooms	20	10	0.06	0.3		10	26	13.0	2
Bowling alley (seating)	10	5	0.12	0.6		40	13	6.5	1
Gambling casinos	7.5	3.8	0.18	0.9		120	9	4.6	1
Game arcades	7.5	3.8	0.18	0.9		20	17	8.3	1
Stages, studios	10	5	0.06	0.3	D	70	11	5.4	1

GENERAL NOTES FOR TABLE 6-1

- 1 **Related requirements:** The rates in this table are based on all other applicable requirements of this standard being met.
- 2 **Smoking:** This table applies to no-smoking areas. Rates for smoking-permitted spaces must be determined using other methods. See Section 6.2.9 for ventilation requirements in smoking areas.
- 3 **Air density:** Volumetric airflow rates are based on an air density of 0.075 lb_{air}/ft³ (1.2 kg_{air}/m³), which corresponds to dry air at a barometric pressure of 1 atm (101.3 kPa) and an air temperature of 70°F (21°C). Rates may be adjusted for actual density but such adjustment is not required for compliance with this standard.
- 4 **Default occupant density:** The default occupant density shall be used when actual occupant density is not known.
- 5 **Default combined outdoor air rate (per person):** This rate is based on the default occupant density.
- 6 **Unlisted occupancies:** If the occupancy category for a proposed space or zone is not listed, the requirements for the listed occupancy category that is most similar in terms of occupant density, activities and building construction shall be used.
- 7 **Health-care facilities:** Rates shall be determined in accordance with Appendix E.

ITEM-SPECIFIC NOTES FOR TABLE 6-1

- A For high school and college libraries, use values shown for Public Assembly Spaces—Libraries.
- B Rate may not be sufficient when stored materials include those having potentially harmful emissions.
- C Rate does not allow for humidity control. Additional ventilation or dehumidification may be required to remove moisture.
- D Rate does not include special exhaust for stage effects, e.g., dry ice vapors, smoke.
- E When combustion equipment is intended to be used on the playing surface, additional dilution ventilation and/or source control shall be provided.
- F Default occupancy for dwelling units shall be two persons for studio and one-bedroom units, with one additional person for each additional bedroom.
- G Air from one residential dwelling shall not be recirculated or transferred to any other space outside of that dwelling.

6.2.7 Dynamic Reset. The system may be designed to reset the design outdoor air intake flow (V_{oi}) and/or space or zone airflow as operating conditions change. These conditions include but are not limited to:

1. Variations in occupancy or ventilation airflow in one or more individual zones for which ventilation airflow requirements will be reset.
Note: Examples of measures for estimating such variations include: occupancy scheduled by time-of-day, a direct count of occupants, or an estimate of occupancy or ventilation rate per person using occupancy sensors such as those based on indoor CO₂ concentrations.
2. Variations in the efficiency with which outdoor air is distributed to the occupants under different ventilation system airflows and temperatures.
3. A higher fraction of outdoor air in the air supply due to intake of additional outdoor air for free cooling or exhaust air makeup.

6.2.8 Exhaust Ventilation. Exhaust airflow shall be provided in accordance with the requirements in Table 6-4. Exhaust makeup air may be any combination of outdoor air, recirculated air, and transfer air.

6.2.9 Ventilation in Smoking Areas. Smoking areas shall have more ventilation and/or air cleaning than comparable no-smoking areas. Specific ventilation rate requirements cannot be determined until cognizant authorities determine the concentration of smoke that achieves an acceptable level of risk. Air from smoking areas shall not be recirculated or transferred to no-smoking areas.

6.3 Indoor Air Quality (IAQ) Procedure. The Indoor Air Quality (IAQ) Procedure is a performance-based design approach in which the building and its ventilation system are designed to maintain the concentrations of specific contaminants at or below certain limits identified during the building design and to achieve the design target level of perceived indoor air quality acceptability by building occupants and/or