



Environmental Protection and Growth Management Department

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## Blower Door Test Requirements & Form

Attention Contractors and/or Owner Builder:

Blower Door Testing is a requirement in the Florida Building Code for residential units. Any applications submitted after July 1, 2017, shall have blower door testing per Florida Building Code Energy Conservation R402.4.1.2, as part of the inspection process. Applicable permits: Residential; R-2, R-3 and R-4 buildings three (3) stories or less above grade plane.

You are hereby noticed of your requirement to comply with the present code for this project. Blower door testing shall be performed after creation of all penetrations of the building envelope. Testing shall be conducted by an approved third party and a written report shall be submitted to the Mechanical Inspector prior to Mechanical Final Inspection.



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# Envelope Leakage Test Report (Blower Door Test)

Residential Prescriptive, Performance or ERI Method Compliance  
2017 Florida Building Code, Energy Conservation, 6th Edition

Jurisdiction: \_\_\_\_\_

Permit #: \_\_\_\_\_

## Job Information

Builder: \_\_\_\_\_

Community: \_\_\_\_\_

Lot: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Unit: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

## Air Leakage Test Results

*Passing results must meet either the Performance, Prescriptive, or ERI Method*

**PRESCRIPTIVE METHOD-** The building or dwelling unit shall be tested and verified as having an air leakage rate of not exceeding 7 air changes per hour at a pressure of 0.2 inch w.g. (50 pascals) in Climate Zones 1 and 2.

**PERFORMANCE or ERI METHOD-** The building or dwelling unit shall be tested and verified as having an air leakage rate of not exceeding the selected ACH(50) value, as shown on FORM R405-2017 (Performance) or R406-2017 (ERI), section labeled as Infiltration, sub-section ACH.

*ACH(50) specified on Form R405-2017-Energy Calc (Performance) or R406-2017 (ERI):*

$$\frac{\text{CFM}(50)}{\text{Building Volume}} \times 60 \div \text{ACH}(50) = \text{ACH}(50)$$

**PASS**

**FAIL**

When ACH(50) is less than 3, Mechanical Ventilation installation must be verified by building department.

Method for calculating building volume:

- Retrieved from architectural plans
- Code software calculated
- Field measured and calculated

**Testing.** Testing shall be conducted in accordance with ANSI/RESNET/ICC 380 and reported at a pressure of 0.2 inch w.g. (50 Pascals). Testing shall be conducted by either individuals as defined in Section 553.993(5) or (7), *Florida Statutes*, or individuals licensed as set forth in Section 489.105(3)(f), (g), or (i) or an approved third party. A written report of the results of the test shall be signed by the party conducting the test and provided to the *code official*. Testing shall be performed at any time after creation of all penetrations of the *building thermal envelope*.

During testing:

- 1.Exterior windows and doors, fireplace and stove doors shall be closed, but not sealed, beyond the intended weatherstripping or other infiltration control measures.
- 2.Dampers including exhaust, intake, makeup air, back draft and flue dampers shall be closed, but not sealed beyond intended infiltration control measures.
- 3.Interior doors, if installed at the time of the test, shall be open.
- 4.Exterior doors for continuous ventilation systems and heat recovery ventilators shall be closed and sealed.
- 5.Heating and cooling systems, if installed at the time of the test, shall be turned off.
- 6.Supply and return registers, if installed at the time of the test, shall be fully open.

## Testing Company

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby verify that the above Air Leakage results are in accordance with the 2017 6th Edition Florida Building Code Energy Conservation requirements according to the compliance method selected above.

Signature of Tester: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Test: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name of Tester: \_\_\_\_\_

License/Certification #: \_\_\_\_\_ Issuing Authority: \_\_\_\_\_