

# Machine Room Ventilation - INTERNATIONAL CODE

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## INPUT

Project Name:	My Project Name	
Program User:	My Name Here	
Room Floor Area, Sq. Ft.	2,200	
Room Height, Ft.	22	
ASHRAE Summer 1% DB Temp, °F:	92	
ASHRAE Winter 99% Design Temp, °F:	8	
Heating Indoor Design Temp, °F:	50	
Max Summer Indoor Design Temp, °F:	104	▼
Building Code:	INTERNATIONAL CODE	▼
Project Insurance Type:	FM Project	▼
Machine Room Construction Type:	METAL ROOF, METAL WALLS	▼
Refrigerant Type:	AMMONIA	▼
Number of Emergency Exhaust Fans:	3	
Total Room Motor Load, HP	2,500	
Compressor Motor Efficiency:	95.0%	95.0% Typical for Premium Efficiency Motors
Refrigerant in Largest System, lbs.	12,000	

ITEM	TOTAL GROSS AREA SQ FT	R VALUE INSULATION ONLY
ROOF	2,200	19
EXTERIOR WALL - NORTH	1,500	7
EXTERIOR WALL - EAST	1,350	7
EXTERIOR WALL - SOUTH	0	7
EXTERIOR WALL - WEST	1,350	7

## OUTPUT

- Winter Envelope Heating Load:  $Q = U \times A \times \Delta T$   
 Perimeter =  $1500 / 22 + 1350 / 22 + 0 / 22 + 1350 / 22 =$  190 Ft.  

	<u>BTU/hr</u>
Roof: $0.05 \times 2200 \times (50 - 8) =$	4,620
Walls: $0.12 \times 4200 \times (50 - 8) =$	21,168
Floor: $0.55 \times 190 =$	105
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<u>25,892</u>

- Summer Envelope Cooling Load:  $Q = U \times A \times [ CLTD + (78 - Tr) + (To - 85) ]$   
 Tr (Room Temp) limited to 104 F to prevent power wiring de-rating per NEC Article 310  

Tr =	104 F	<u>BTU/hr</u>
Roof: $0.05 \times 2200 \times [ 70 + (78 - 104) + (92 - 85) ] =$		5,610
Wall - North: $0.12 \times 1500 \times [ 24 + (78 - 104) + (92 - 85) ] =$		900
Wall - East: $0.12 \times 1350 \times [ 29 + (78 - 104) + (92 - 85) ] =$		810
Wall - South: $0.12 \times 0 \times [ 37 + (78 - 104) + (92 - 85) ] =$		0
Wall - West: $0.12 \times 1350 \times [ 67 + (78 - 104) + (92 - 85) ] =$		810
Lights: $1.0 \text{ W/Sq. Ft.} \times 2200 \text{ Sq. Ft.} \times 3.413 \text{ BTU/h/W} =$		<u>7,509</u>
<b>TOTAL:</b>		<u>15,638</u>

- Motor Heat from Machinery in Room:  
 $Q = 2500 \text{ HP} \times (1 - 0.95) \times 2545$   
 $= 318,125 \text{ BTU/hr}$

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## OUTPUT

- Summer Ventilation Rate, continued

Summer Ventilation Rate Required to Limit Room Temperature to 104 F

Summer Envelope Cooling Load:	15,638 BTU/hr
Machinery Room Motor Heat:	318,125 BTU/hr
TOTAL:	333,763 BTU/hr

$$CFM = \frac{Q}{1.1 \times \Delta T} = \frac{333,763}{1.1 \times (104 - 92)} = 25,285$$

per IIAR Std 2 ¶ 13.3.8.1:

$$Q = 20 \text{ Air Changes per Hour} = \frac{2200 \times 22 \times 20}{60} = 16,133 \text{ CFM}$$

Summer Ventilation Rate: 25,285 CFM

- Summer Ventilation Rate air changes per Hour

$$\text{Air Changes per Hour} = \frac{CFM \times 60}{\text{Area} \times \text{Height}} = \frac{25285 \times 60}{2200 \times 22} = 31$$

- Emergency Ventilation Rate  
per IMC ¶ 1105.6.4:

$$Q = 100\sqrt{G} \quad \text{Where } G = \text{Lbs of refrigerant in largest single system}$$

$$= 100\sqrt{12,000} = 10,954 \text{ CFM}$$

per IIAR Std 2 ¶ 13.3.9.1:

$$Q = 30 \text{ Air Changes per Hour} = \frac{2200 \times 22 \times 30}{60} = 24,200 \text{ CFM}$$

per FM Std 7-13 ¶ 2.8:

$$Q = 10 \text{ CFM/Sq Ft} = 10 \times 2200 = 22,000 \text{ CFM}$$

per IIAR Std 2, ¶ 13.3.2 (see note 1):

Min per fan based on 20 ACH rule:	16,133 CFM	÷ 2 emergency exhaust fans =	8,067 CFM
	8,067 CFM	× 3 emergency exhaust fans =	24,200 CFM

Emergency Ventilation Rate: 24,200 CFM

- Emergency Ventilation Rate air changes per Hour

$$\text{Air Changes per Hour} = \frac{CFM \times 60}{\text{Area} \times \text{Height}} = \frac{24200 \times 60}{2200 \times 22} = 30$$

- Minimum Continuous Ventilation Rate  
per IMC ¶ 1105.6.3.1:

$$Q = 0.5 \text{ CFM/Sq. Ft.} \times 2200 \text{ Sq. Ft.} = 1,100 \text{ CFM}$$

per FM Std 7-13 ¶ 2.8:

$$Q = 1 \text{ CFM/Sq Ft} = 1 \times 2200 = 2,200 \text{ CFM}$$

Continuous Ventilation Rate: 2,200 CFM

- Intake Wall Louver Area, Summer Ventilation Rate

$$\text{Intake Louver Free Area, Sq Ft} = \frac{Q}{V} = \frac{25,285}{700} = 36.1$$

$$\text{Intake Wall Louver Area, Sq Ft} = 36.1 \times 2 \text{ (50\% free area louver)} = 72.2 \text{ Sq Ft}$$

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- Intake Wall Louver Area, Emergency Ventilation Rate

$$\text{Intake Louver Free Area, Sq Ft} = \frac{Q}{V} = \frac{24,200}{700} = 34.6$$

$$\text{Intake Wall Louver Area, Sq Ft} = 34.6 \times 2 \text{ (50\% free area louver)} = 69.1 \text{ Sq Ft}$$
- Intake Wall Louver Area, Continuous Ventilation Rate

$$\text{Intake Louver Free Area, Sq Ft} = \frac{Q}{V} = \frac{2,200}{700} = 3.1$$

$$\text{Intake Wall Louver Area, Sq Ft} = 3.1 \times 2 \text{ (50\% free area louver)} = 6.3 \text{ Sq Ft}$$
- Winter Heating Requirements

Winter Envelope Heating Load:  $\frac{\text{BTU/hr}}{25,892}$

Minimum Ventilation Heating:  $Q = 1.1 \times \text{CFM} \times \Delta T$

$$= 1.1 \times 2200 \times (50 - 8) = \frac{101,640}{127,532} \text{ BTU/hr}$$

TOTAL:  $\frac{101,640}{127,532} \text{ BTU/hr}$   
 $\frac{101,640}{127,532} \text{ BTU/hr} = 37.4 \text{ KW}$

### MACHINE ROOM VENTILATION RESULTS

CONTINUOUS EXHAUST RATE:	2,200 CFM
CONTINUOUS RATE WALL LOUVER SIZE:	6.3 SQ FT
WINTER HEAT:	37 KW
SUMMER EXHAUST RATE:	25,285 CFM
SUMMER RATE WALL LOUVER SIZE:	72.2 SQ FT
SUMMER AIR CHANGES PER HOUR:	31
EMERGENCY EXHAUST RATE (see note 1):	24,200 CFM
EMERGENCY RATE WALL LOUVER SIZE:	69.1 SQ FT
EMERGENCY AIR CHANGES PER HOUR:	30

- Consider using the larger of the summer and emergency ventilation rates as a combined summer/emergency ventilation rate.
- Per the mechanical code, unit heater cannot have coil temperature higher than 800 F. Use hazardous location explosion-proof heater such as Trane model UHXA.
- Per IIAR Std 2, ¶ 13.1.6.1, provide an emergency eyewash shower external to the machine room readily accessible via an exit.
- Per IIAR Std 2, ¶ 13.3.3.3, machine room intakes must be provided with corrosion-resistant insect screens.
- Per IIAR Std 2, ¶ 13.3.3.4, any motor-operated dampers used in the machine room ventilation scheme must be power-to-close, fail-open.
- Per IIAR Std 2, ¶ 13.3.7.1, all machine room exhaust fans shall discharge vertically with a minimum discharge velocity of 2,500 FPM.
- Per IIAR Std 2, ¶ 13.3.7.2, all machine room exhaust fans shall have non-sparking blades.
- Per IIAR Std 2, ¶ 13.3.7.3, all machine room exhaust fan motors located in the airstream or inside the building shall be TEFC (totally enclosed, fan cooled).

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- Note 1  
Per IIAR Std 2, ¶ 13.3.2, if more than one fan is used to achieve the emergency ventilation rate, the fans must be selected such that the failure of any single fan does not diminish the total ventilation rate to less than 20 air changes per hour.