

ENERGY STAR Indoor Air Package



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IAQ Is it Green or is it Gray?

What is Indoor Air Quality (IAQ)?

3. DEFINITIONS

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ASHRAE Standard 62.2-2004

What Contaminants Are "Known to Pose a Health Risk"?

- Radon, ETS, Formaldehyde, & Benzene exposure can cause cancer
- Indoor dampness linked to respiratory illness
- Many known indoor asthma triggers
- Many VOC's linked to adverse health effects
- CO kills at high levels; other effects at low levels
- Pesticides linked to acute & chronic health effects
- PM linked to respiratory illness & heart disease
- Indoor air typically has 2 to 5 times more chemical contaminants than outdoor air

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Does Green Mean Good IAQ?

- Certified
- Bronze
- Silver
- Gold
- Platinum
- Emerald

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Other Green Attributes Competing with IAQ for Points

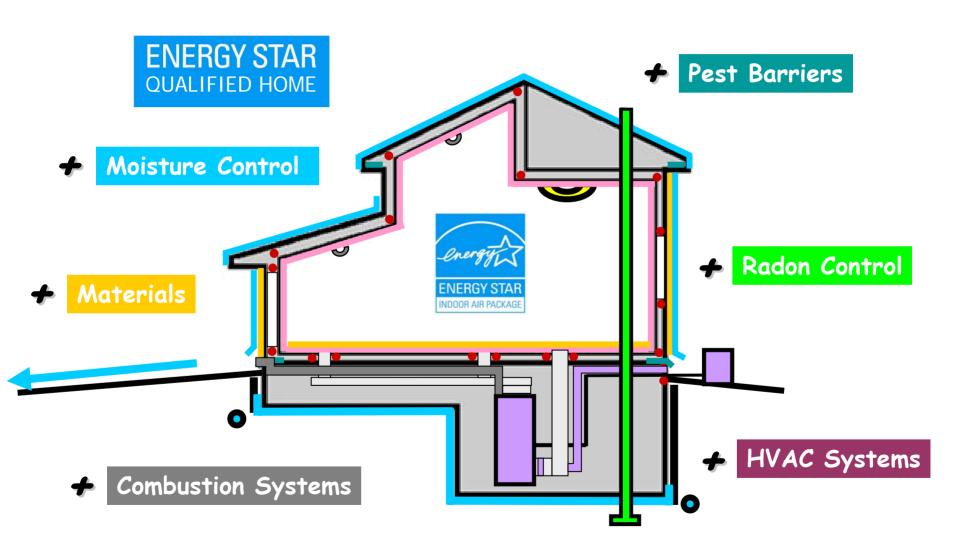
- Energy Efficiency
- Materials & Resources
- House Size
- Sustainable Sites
- Indoor Air Quality
- Water Efficiency
- Innovative Design

Which IAQ points will most "Green" builders choose?

Non-Mandatory Measures?

- Bulk Moisture Control
 - Water managed wall, roof, foundation system
- Radon Control
- Effective Garage Isolation
- Low VOC Materials
 - Low formaldehyde materials (boards, carpets/pads)
- Sealed Combustion
- Efficient, Low-emission Fireplaces

Indoor Air Package Summary



STEPS to Start Building With the ENERGY STAR INDOOR AIR PACKAGE

- Work with a HERS Rater to evaluate your homes, just like your first ENERGY STAR qualified home
- 2. Build IAP qualified homes
- 3. Rater verifies during 2ENERGY STAR inspections& labels homes
- 4. Market & sell homes with stronger promise of good IAQ
- 5. Tell us your story, so we can recognize your company



Indoor Air Package Details

turning Gray into
Black & White



ENERGY STAR Indoor Air Package

for Review Only

Verification Sheet - DRAFT

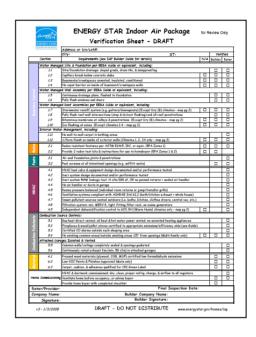
Address or Div/Lot#:					
		city: 5T:		Verified	
	Section	Requirements (see IAP Builder Guide for details)	N/A	Builder	Rater
	Wisten Honor	ed Site & Foundation per EEBA Guide or equivalent, including:		04:14:	
Masture Centrel	11	Site/foundation drainage: aloped grade, drain tile, & dampproofing			
	1.2	Capillary break below concrete slabs		-	-
	1.3	Basements/crawlapaces unvented, insulated, conditioned	_		
	1.4	No vapor barrier on inside of basement/crawlapace walls		-	-
	Water Managed Wall Assembly per EEBA Guide or equivalent, including:				
	1.5 Continuous drainage plane, flashed to foundation				
	1.6	Fully flash windows and doors		-	_
		ofer Managed Roof Assemblies per EEBA Guide or equivalent, including:			
	1.7	Stornweter runoff system (e.g. gutters/downspouts) (Except Dry (B) climates - map pg 2)			
	1.8	Fully flesh roof-wall intersections (step & kickout fleshing) and all roof penetrations	_	-	_
	1.9	Bituminous membrane at valleys & penetrations (Except Dry (B) climates - map pg 2)		-	-
	110	Ice fleshing at eaves (Except climates 1-4 - map pg 2)			
		ter Management, including:			
	LII	No wall-to-wall carpet in bathing areas			
	112	>1 Perm finish on inside of exterior walls (Climates 1, 2, 3A only - map pg 2)			
-	2.1	Radon resistent features per ASTM E1465, IRC, or equiv. (EPA Zones 1)			
Redo					
	22	Provide 2 radon test kits & instructions for use to homebuyer (EPA Zones 1 & 2)			
Pests	3.1	Air seal foundation joints & penetrations			
	3.2	Peat acreens at all intentional openings (e.g. soffitt vents)			
HVAC	4.1	HVAC load calcs & equipment design documented and/or performance tested			-
	4.2	ouch system design documented and/or performance tested			
	4.3	uct system total leskage test <4 cfm/100 sf, OR no panned returns + sealed air handler			
	4.4	o air handler or ducte in garage			
	4.5	oma pressure balanced (individual room returns or jump/transfer grills)			
	4.6	ntilation systems compliant with ASHRAE Std 62.2 (bath/kitchen exhaust + whole house)			
	4.7	nown pollutent sources vented outdoors (i.e. baths, kitchen, clothes dryers, central vac, etc.)			
	4.8	Filtration systems min. MERV 8, tight fitting filter rack, no azone generators			
	4.9	Independent dehumidification control to 60% RH (Warm Humid climates only - map pg 2)			
Combustion Pollutants	Combustion Source Controls:				
	5.1	Gas heat direct vented; oil heat & hot water power vented; no unvented heating appliances			
	5.2	places & wood/pellet stoves certified to appropriate emissions/efficiency stds (see Guide)			
	5.3	Certified CO alarma outside each sleeping area			-
	5.4	No smoking common areas/outside smoking areas >25° from openings (Multi-family only)			
	Attoched Gary	ages Isolated & Vented			
	5.5 Common walls/ceilings completely sealed & openings gasketed				
	5.6	Continuously rated exhaust fan (min. 50 cfm) in attached garages			
Material	6.1	Pressed wood materials (plywood, OSB, MDF) certified low-formaldehyde emissions			
	6.2	Low-VOC Paints & Finishes (approved labels only)		-	ä
	6.3			-	ä
	0.5	Carpet, cushion, & adhesives qualified for CRI Green Label			
		HVAC & ductwork commissioned: dry, clean, proper refrig. charge, & sirflow to all registers			
Home Commissioning		Ventilate home before occupancy, or advise buyer		-	
_	Provide home buyer with completed checklist				
Rater/Provider: Final Inspection Date:					
Company Name: Builder Company Name:					
Signature: Builder Signature:					

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And a sneak peek at new label concepts