

ENERGY AUDITOR-2018 PILOT Field Guide

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Standards of Reference: Section 9 of the Energy Auditor - 2018 Pilot Scheme Handbook

Exterior

- 1. (GATED ITEM) Candidate prepared combustible gas and CO measurement instruments for use
- 2. Candidate displayed ability to accurately measure perimeter of the home
- 3. Candidate identified the exterior cladding material(s)
- 4. Candidate identified or discussed possibility of lead-based paint
- 5. Candidate identified or discussed existing moisture issues
- 6. Candidate identified roof exposure and orientation
- 7. Candidate identified roof condition, materials, penetrations, and unusual features
- 8. Candidate identified condition of roof flashing and gutter system
- 9. Candidate provided a preliminary identification of the thermal boundary
- 10. Candidate summarized findings of exterior inspection of the building

Interior - Safety Evaluation

- 1. (GATED ITEM) Candidate tested indoor ambient CO levels and compared results to BPI 1200 Standard
- 2. Candidate confirmed that combustible gases are below 10% of LEL on each floor
- 3. Candidate located existing smoke and CO detectors
- 4. Candidate identified or discussed mold or conditions that could promote the growth of mold
- 5. Candidate identified or discussed electrical hazards
- 6. Candidate identified or discussed signs of pest or vermin infestation
- 7. Candidate accurately assessed clothes dryer vent configuration
- 8. Candidate identified or discussed other safety concerns

Doors

- 1. Candidate identified door type and features
- 2. Candidate evaluated door performance
- 3. Candidate identified if door repairs needed
- 4. Candidate identified if weatherization measures needed
- 5. Candidate discussed specific or general concerns with door replacement

Windows

- 1. Candidate identified window operation type(s)
- 2. Candidate identified frame material(s)
- 3. Candidate identified glazing type(s)
- 4. Candidate displayed ability to accurately measure a window
- 5. Candidate assessed the orientation of windows and exterior shading
- 6. Candidate assessed and discussed window performance, operation, and general condition
- 7. Candidate identified if repairs needed
- 8. Candidate identified if weatherization measures needed
- 9. Candidate discussed specific or general concerns with window replacement

Walls

- 1. Candidate identified wall type, including structure and interior/exterior finish
- 2. Candidate identified framing method
- 3. Candidate determined wall cavity depth
- 4. Candidate identified or discussed infiltration points that impact the pressure boundary
- 5. Candidate determined repairs needed and structural integrity of wall(s) to be insulated
- 6. Candidate identified if weatherization measures needed

Attic

- 1. Candidate identified and evaluated location of existing thermal boundary
- 2. Candidate identified or discussed infiltration points that impact the pressure boundary
- 3. Candidate identified or discussed air sealing sites requiring fire-safe materials and techniques.
- 4. Candidate discussed minimum attic ventilation requirements
- 5. Candidate identified and evaluated existing attic ventilation
- 6. Candidate determined repairs needed and structural integrity of attic to be insulated
- 7. Candidate determined insulation type and effective R-value

Attic (con't)

- 8. Candidate determined appropriate insulation R-value to be added
- 9. Candidate discussed existing and potential health and safety issues in the attic

Foundation

- 1. Candidate identified the foundation type and material
- 2. Candidate determined if location of existing thermal and pressure boundaries are appropriate or should be changed
- 3. Candidate identified or discussed infiltration points that impact the pressure boundary
- 4. Candidate identified insulation type and determined effective insulation R-value
- 5. Candidate determined appropriate insulation R-value to be added
- 6. Candidate identified or discussed sources and signs of moisture
- 7. Candidate determined appropriate measures to remediate moisture issues

Mechanical Ventilation

- 1. Candidate identified existing ventilation type(s)
- 2. Candidate determined the type of fan control
- 3. Candidate assessed the condition of the ventilation ductwork
- 4. Candidate measured existing flow rate

Appliances

- 1. Candidate collected manufacturer's data plate information from one electric appliance
- 2. Candidate evaluated possible refrigerator replacement
- 3. Candidate evaluated possible lighting upgrades
- 4. Candidate identified other sources that contribute to a home's increased electrical consumption
- 5. Candidate discussed water saving opportunities
- 6. Candidate measured or discssed how to measure the flow rate of a showerhead or faucet

Heating, Cooling, and DHW Equipment

- 1. Candidate identified heating / cooling system type(s)
- 2. Candidate identified basic heating / cooling system operating components
- 3. Candidate identified safety features related to heating / cooling appliances
- 4. Candidate identified or discussed existing heating / cooling system health and safety concerns
- 5. Candidate completed visual inspection of appliance flue system(s) for problems
- 6. Candidate assessed opportunities for heating / cooling system performance enhancements

Heating, Cooling, and DHW Equipment (con't)

- 7. Candidate evaluated the distribution system integrity and adequacy
- 8. Candidate assessed opportunities for distribution system insulation
- 9. Candidate evaluated available fuel switching opportunities for heating appliance(s)
- 10. Candidate identified domestic water heating appliance type
- 11. Candidate identified or discussed water heating appliance health and safety concerns
- 12. Candidate identified safety features of domestic water heating appliance
- 13. Candidate determined if current temperature settings pose health & safety and energy concerns
- 14. Candidate identified or discussed opportunities for water heater insulation
- 15. Candidate identified or discussed opportunities for domestic hot water pipe insulation

Combustible Gas Leak Testing

- 1. Candidate conducted combustion gas leak testing according to BPI 1200 Standard for 1-2 minutes and at least 3 fittings
- 2. Candidate recommended leak detection solution to verify positive reading from detector

CAZ Testing

- 1. Candidate set up home for CAZ Testing
- 2. Candidate set up manometer and tubing correctly
- 3. Candidate correctly measured baseline pressure differential
- 4. Candidate turned on exhaust appliances and recorded reading
- 5. Candidate checked air handler impact on CAZ depressurization and recorded reading
- 6. Candidate opened interior door to CAZ and recorded reading
- 7. Candidate identified conditions causing greatest CAZ depressurization
- 8. Candidate checked for spillage in one appliance under greatest CAZ depressurization
- 9. Candidate determined if the appliance passes the spillage test
- 10. Candidate made appropriate recommendations according to ANSI/BPI-1200-S-2017 Standard Practice for Basic Analysis of Buildings

Combustion Safety and Efficiency Testing

- 1. Candidate measured CO in the water heater flue gases
- 2. Candidate applied correct BPI action level based on test results for CO in the flue of the water heater
- 3. Candidate measured CO in the heating system flue gases
- 4. Candidate applied correct action level based on test results for CO in the flue of the heating system according to ANSI/BPI-1200-S-2017 Standard Practice for Basic Analysis of Buildings

Combustion Safety and Efficiency Testing (con't)

- 5. Candidate conducted and evaluated Steady State Efficiency test on heating system
- 6. Candidate measured and evaluated temperature rise in heating system
- 7. (GATED ITEM) Candidate monitored ambient CO levels in the CAZ during entire combustion safety tests

Oven and Stovetop Testing

- 1. Candidate checked for items, excessive debris inside oven
- 2. Candidate's sampling location appropriate for the oven test
- 3. Candidate appropriately applied BPI action levels based on test results for CO in oven
- 4. Candidate inspected stovetop burners for flame quality.

Blower Door Testing

- 1. (GATED ITEM) Candidate set combustion appliances to pilot or disabled them
- 2. Candidate verified solid fuel appliances are in the appropriate condition to allow for blower door testing to be performed
- 3. Candidate set up the blower door frame/shroud/fan correctly
- 4. Candidate set up house correctly in accordance with one of the approved methods listed in BPI 1200 Standard
- 5. Candidate set up the manometer correctly
- 6. Candidate established baseline pressure differential
- 7. Candidate conducted test to obtain an accurate CFM50 reading
- 8. Candidate interpreted the blower door reading correctly and discussed recommendations
- 9. Candidate measured and evaluated zonal pressure differential to one or two zones (using one-point test)
- 10. Candidate conducted sample room by room inspection with blower door running
- 11. Candidate correctly used pressure pan to evaluate duct leakage
- 12. Candidate discussed how and when to perform a pressurization test

Duct Pressurization Testing

- 1. Candidate demonstrated how to set up duct testing equipment correctly, sealing 1 register as a sample
- 2. Candidate discussed procedure for conducting full duct pressurization test and applicable standard for interpreting result
- 3. Candidate discussed how to prioritize repairs